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NAZIS VICTIMS OF DRAMATIC COUP.

HINT OF DANGER TO DR. KOO.

JAPANESE DROP WARNINGS.

NOT WANTED IN MANCHURIA.

Peking, Apr. 14.

It is reliably reported that Mr. Yoshida, the Japanese Ambassador on the Lytton Commission has privately warned the Chinese Counselor that there will be possible danger to Dr. Wellington Koo if he visits Manchuria.

The spokesman of the Japanese Delegation is reported to have called upon a representative of the Chinese Ambassador's Office and expressed concern regarding Dr. Wellington Koo's proposed visit, declaring that he is likely to be exposed to personal danger.

The members of the League Commission yesterday afternoon discussed plans for spending the summer in China.—*Reuter.*



Nazi storm-troops on the march, saluting their leader, Herr Adolf Hitler. The Government has issued order for the dissolution of this tremendous organisation and has indicated intention to employ ruthless methods.

How Many Feet Has a Monkey?

THREE GUESSES PERMITTED.

CUSTOMS SOLUTION.

(*Reuter's Special Service.*)

London, Apr. 13.

Does a monkey lay claim to the possession of feet, and if so, how many?

This rather interesting biological question was presented, with rather humorous results, to the Customs authorities when six monkeys arrived at Folkestone shortly after the new tariff was imposed.

The problem has since been the subject of correspondence and deep thinking in several places.

The Southern Railway, on behalf of the consignee, submitted that monkeys were quadrupeds and that they were for that reason exempt from duty.

Port Contention.

The Port Customs, on the other hand, decided that monkeys were bipeds, contending that they have two hands and two feet and were liable for duty.

The problem has been finally solved by the Honourable Board of Customs in London which has ruled that monkeys are quadrumanous mammals, having four hands and no feet!

AIR LINERS' FINE RECORD.

2,000,000 MILES: NO MISHAPS.

London, Apr. 13.

During the past seven years, the Imperial Airways fleet operating between London and the Continent and most of the Empire air routes have flown 2,000,000 miles, carrying 210,000 passengers and approximately 8,000 tons of freight and mail.

The triple engine Armstrong Siddeley air liners on the London-Continental service have now flown more than 2,000,000 miles without any mishap resulting in injury to their passengers or crew.

In 1919, when the commercial air services began, the daily mileage was less than 500, while the new Imperial Airways liners and flyingboats cover more than 5,000 miles every day.—*British Wireless.*

SIR JOHN SIMON.

ATTENDING AMERICAN DINNER.

London, Apr. 13.

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, is to-morrow returning to London from Geneva by air to attend the dinner of the Pillorins Dues American Society in London, at which the new United States Ambassador, Mr. Andrew Mellon, will be the principal guest.

Sir John will probably return on Friday to Geneva. His place is being temporarily taken by Lord Londonderry, who flew to Geneva to-day.—*British Wireless.*

GOVERNMENT ACTS SWIFTLY.

HITLER'S PRIVATE ARMY TO DISAPPEAR.

SWOOPING DOWN WITH DRAMATIC SuddenNESS UPON NAZI HEADQUARTERS ALL OVER GERMANY, THE BRUENING GOVERNMENT CARRIED OUT A REMARKABLY DARING ANTI-HITLER COUP.

The Cabinet authorised a proclamation ordering the dissolution of the Nazi storm-troops and within a few hours steps had been taken to give effect to the decree in all parts of Germany, the swiftness of the action suggesting that the coup had been well planned for some time. The blow apparently came so unexpectedly to the Hitlerites that only minor disturbances have occurred, but—

GERMAN CABINET'S DECREE.

Berlin, Apr. 13.

The Government took the whole of Germany by surprise and struck a heavy blow against Herr Hitler and the Nazis, by a Proclamation ordering the dissolution of Hitler's private army, the Nazi storm-troops.

The order for their suppression was made by virtue of the article of the Constitution empowering the President to take measures to restore order, if necessary by force of arms, if public safety is endangered.

HAMBURG TEAR-GAS.

At Hamburg, for example, the police found the Nazi headquarters filled with tear-gas and had to smash the windows and wait for some time before they could enter.

The Nazis almost everywhere were taken by surprise by the speed of the execution of the anti-Nazi decree. Resistance was offered in a few places, however.

UNANIMOUS DECREE.

The Decree states that the members of the Government were unanimously in favour of recommending the dissolution of the Fascist storm-troops, which applies, in fact, to all Nazi military organisations.

Anyone continuing in membership of the Nazi military cadres will be punished by at least a month's imprisonment.

STATE WITHIN STATE.

It is officially explained that the existence of such military organisations as those controlled by Herr Hitler might lead to conditions similar to civil war, and the Government is determined to intervene ruthlessly with all the means at its disposal against any such effort to create a State within a State.

The Government declared its conviction that in this matter it is supported by the majority of the German people and adds that the Decree does not affect the Nazi Party itself, which has exactly the same liberty of action as all other political parties.

COLOGNE ACTS.

It is indicated from Cologne that the Rhineland and Westphalian police are already enforcing the anti-Nazi decree, having already

TELEPHONE HOAXER ACTIVE.

FALSE CALL FOR AMBULANCE.

DANGEROUS TRICK IN KOWLOON.

It was disclosed to-day that the Kowloon Fire Brigade have again been the victims of a practical joker with a perverted sense of humour.

Twice on Tuesday they received calls for an ambulance which were subsequently discovered to be false.

The first, sent in a tone of distress over the telephone, requested that an ambulance be immediately dispatched to 567, Canton Road.

The people there disclaimed need for the ambulance and registered blank astonishment on being asked if they had sent for it.

The call was traced to telephone number 57796, which led them to a coolie doss-house, where the inmates strenuously denied having sent off the message.

Later in the day, upon receipt of a second call, the ambulance-driver took his vehicle to 604, Canton Road, another hoax. An effort was then made to trace the unknown joker with the assistance of the Telephone Company. It was discovered that the number was not 54204, as stated by the sender of the second call, but was actually 56066, belonging to the Kwong Chi Theatre at Yau-mat.

ANXIOUS LONDON INTERVIEW.

ULSTER LEADER'S VISIT.

London, Apr. 13.

Apprehension created in Ulster by one of the passages in Mr. J. H. Thomas's reply to Mr. de Valera caused the sudden arrival in London to-day of Viscount Craigavon, the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland.

The Ulster politician immediately sought an interview with Mr. Thomas and Sir Herbert Samuel, the Home Secretary.

"There is no difference in the points of view of the two governments," was the statement issued later, Viscount Craigavon having been reassured. He is expected to make an early statement in the Ulster Parliament.

Ulster's Fears.

It is learned that the anxiety was due to the statement by Mr. Thomas that there was no possibility of a united Ireland except on the basis of allegiance to the Crown, which was apparently interpreted in Ulster as an implication that the Government were using Ulster as a pawn in the negotiations with the Irish Free State.

Lord Craigavon, who was accompanied by his Attorney-General, Mr. Babington came to London from Belfast and met Mr. Thomas and Sir Herbert Samuel at the House of Commons soon afterwards. The Home Secretary was present for the obvious reason that the Home Office is technically responsible in the House of Commons for the Northern Ireland administration.

The Ulster ministers expressed a desire to discuss certain aspects of the controversy raised by the attitude of the Irish Free State to the Oath of Allegiance and particularly the passage in the Dominion Secretary's Reply which stated:

"It is true that the 1921 settlement did not result in the esta-

BRITISH RUM-RUNNER RANSACKED.

U.S. Coastguards on Theft Charges.

New York, Apr. 13.

The Federal Judge at Rhode Island to-day found American coastguards guilty of theft aboard the British rum-runner, *Mackinnoe*, which was seized in December last.

The crew of the vessel accused the coastguards of stealing valuable equipment, food stores, a large quantity of cigarettes and the personal effects of the seamen.

The coastguards also seized forty-three sacks of liquor.

The crew made depositions regarding the thefts in Nova Scotia and these were forwarded to the United States Federal Judge, who gave his decision in the case to-day.—*Reuter.*

DOLLAR DROPS A FARTHING.

LOWER SILVER PRICES.

Reflecting a decline in silver both in London and New York, the Hongkong dollar this morning dropped a farthing to 1s. 23/8d.

The local market is quiet, on the easy side. Small inter-bank business has been done at 1s. 27/8d.

Silver dropped 3/16ths in London, both spot and forward. American and China were small sellers, and the market was very quiet. After the official fixing, the market ruled idle, with America a small seller at 1/16th under the quoted rates.

New York reports a drop of a quarter, with the market dull.

M.P.'S DELEGATION TO BERMUDA.

PARTY LEAVES LONDON TO-DAY.

London, Apr. 13.

Members of the United Kingdom branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association, joining the Parliamentary delegation now at Bermuda, headed by Lord Asquith, will leave London to-morrow.—*British Wireless.*



Viscount Craigavon.

blishment of a united Ireland but the Treaty itself made the necessary provision for union at that time of the two parts of Ireland, if both had been ready to accept them.

"As to the future His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom feel it sufficient to state that, in their opinion, there can be no conceivable hope for the establishment of a united Ireland except on the basis that its allegiance to the Crown and its membership of the British Commonwealth will continue unimpaired."

No Implications.

Lord Craigavon explained that anxiety had been voiced in the Northern Ireland Parliament regarding this passage. Mr. Thomas pointed out that those words were used only as a reply to Mr. de Valera's statement that the agreement of 1921 meant "the consummation of the outrage of partition" in Ireland. They did not indicate any change actual or contemplated in British policy regarding Ulster and Irish unity.

It is expected that Lord Craigavon, as a result of his visit, will make a reassuring statement in Belfast.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

'QUAKE PERIL PASSED.

ARGENTINE ASH FALL STOPS.

VOLCANIC SAFETY VALVE.

Buenos Aires, Apr. 13.

The steady rain of ashes and cinders from the volcano of *El Andes* has at last ceased to fall. Argentine territory, the volcano having veered to the south-east. It is officially declared that there have been no fatalities and no important material damage in Argentina.

One of the country's most prominent geologists now expresses the opinion that a severe earthquake is impossible as the enormous quantity of volcanic ash thrown up represents the waste products of the volcanic safety valve, which removes the danger of violent earth tremors.

Ash Harmless.

Experts are of opinion that the volcanic ash which is spread over the country is harmless. In fact may prove very useful in the manufacture of cement, etc.

Meanwhile, people in the affected region are calm and the railways are now working normally.—*Reuter.*

SPIRIT MEDIUM LIBEL CASE.

TALKIE-EXPERT UNIMPRESSED.

(*Reuter's Special Service.*)

London, Apr. 13.

A talking-film of one of Mr. Meurig Morris's trance sittings was witnessed by the jurors prior to the resumption to-day of the hearing of the libel action she has brought against the *Daily Mail*.

It had been suggested that "psychic forces" broke the rope used to hold the microphone in the studio during the production of the "talkie," but a staff member pressed a much more mundane view.

He declared his opinion that was more likely that the excessive heat of the lamp caused the rope to break.

WIGHTMAN CUP TENNIS.

MRS. WILLS-MOODY LEADING U.S.

London, Apr. 13.

The English Lawn Tennis Association has received a cable from the American L. T. A. stating that the team to represent the United States against Great Britain in the Wightman Cup Contest at Wimbledon has been selected.

Mrs. Wills-Moody will make the journey, her companions being Mrs. Harper, Miss Jacobs, and Miss Sarah Palfrey.

The contest is being played June 10 and 11.—*Reuter.*

EAST AFRICA RAILWAYS.

London, Apr. 13.

The Colonial Secretary has appointed Mr. Roger Gifford to conduct investigations into the way questions in the East African territories are handled.—*British Wireless.*

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CONTRACT BRIDGE.

By W. E. McKenney.

Secretary, American Bridge League.

There are several systems for valuing hands at no trump, but perhaps the most popular is the pitch count system which was explained in our previous articles. An opening bid of one first hand shows a count of 13; second hand a count of 12; third hand 14, and fourth hand 15. Partner should support to two no trump with a combined count of 22, and to three no trump with a combined count of 24.

Under the straight forcing system, however, it is not advisable to open hands with one no trump that contain a biddable four-card suit, especially if the hand contains a weak doubleton. In other words, an opening bid of one no trump normally shows distributed strength and no biddable four-card suit. Four-card suits in order to be biddable must be at least as strong as ace, queen, nine, 10 or king, queen, nine, 10.

In addition to the count, a hand should contain at least two quick tricks to open with one no trump, while in suit bids you are required to hold two and one-half quick tricks.

Original Suit Bids of One.

Original suit bids of one are made when holding at least a biddable four-card suit and two and one-half high card tricks. All writers have their favourite high card trick tables, but the simplest one advocated by the writer is as follows:

A K of same suit	2
A Q J of same suit	1½
A of same suit	1
K Q of same suit	1
K of same suit	½
Q J of same suit	½

(Only one Q J may be counted in a hand.)

A Q (if bid) 1½

A Q (if not bid) 1

You will notice that the last three valuations have restrictions. Only one Q J must be counted in a hand as one-half quick trick. When holding a hand containing two Q J's, the other is too susceptible to squeezes when being played at a suit declaration, but on practically every hand that you would hold two and one-half tricks, if both Q J's were counted, you would have an original no trump bid. Q J's should not be counted in suit bids if the hand does not contain an ace, but they must be counted in a no trump hand.

You will also notice that the writer advocates an A Q as only one trick unless the suit is bid. If you hold a biddable suit headed by A Q and a side trick, you may count your A Q as one and one-half, or if your partner bids a suit and you hold A Q in that suit, you may value it as two tricks. While if it was bid by your left-hand opponent, it should be counted as only one trick. If your right-hand opponent bid a suit in which you held the A Q, you would count that as two tricks.

The reason for not valuing an A Q when not bid as one and one-half tricks, is because so many times you may be called upon to make the opening lead and as we do not like to lead away from an A Q, sometimes an opening lead very detrimental to the hand is made in an endeavour to protect the A Q suit.

While opening bids of one are required to hold two and one-half high card tricks as a minimum, there are many hands containing as high as five to five and one-half quick tricks that must be opened with one due to a bad distribution. Opening bids of one should not be passed by partner if his hand contains at least one and one-half tricks. This feature will be explained in our next article.

LADIES' NIGHT AT THE Y.M.C.A.

ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME ARRANGED.

The last of a series of entertainments—entertainments that have proved the most popular of the different forms of recreation instituted some years ago by the Y.M.C.A.—takes place this evening in the new theatre lounge of the Institute at Kowloon.

These entertainments, known as "Ladies' Nights" have permitted Y.M.C.A. Members to entertain their lady friends to dinner on the premises, the dinner usually followed by some novel recreation—a concert, a dramatic evening, or other form of diversion.

The programme arranged for this evening is as usual of very high standard, comprised of vocal and instrumental items by local artists and two one-act plays, the one a comedy, the other a drama, by the Y.M.C.A. Dramatic Players. The many patrons of these special evenings can look forward to a veritable treat, for it will be remembered that the Dramatic Players were extremely popular during the winter season of 1930/31 when they established themselves by producing the first plays of a series from their repertoire.

GEN. MA CHAN-SHAN.

EXPLAINS WHY HE JOINED NEW REGIME.

Shanghai, Apr. 13.

from General Ma Chan-shan. Messages received in Shanghai plain that he temporarily joined the Manchukuo for the purpose of obtaining the true facts of the situation, by getting into contact with Manchukuo officials.

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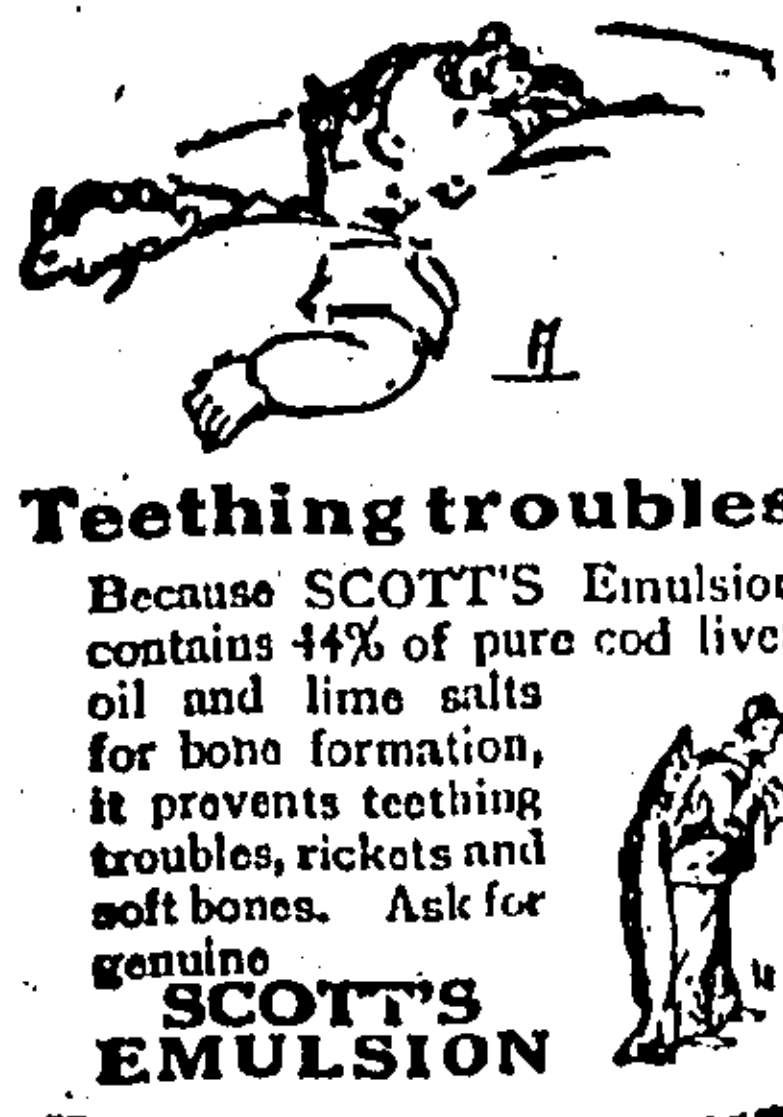


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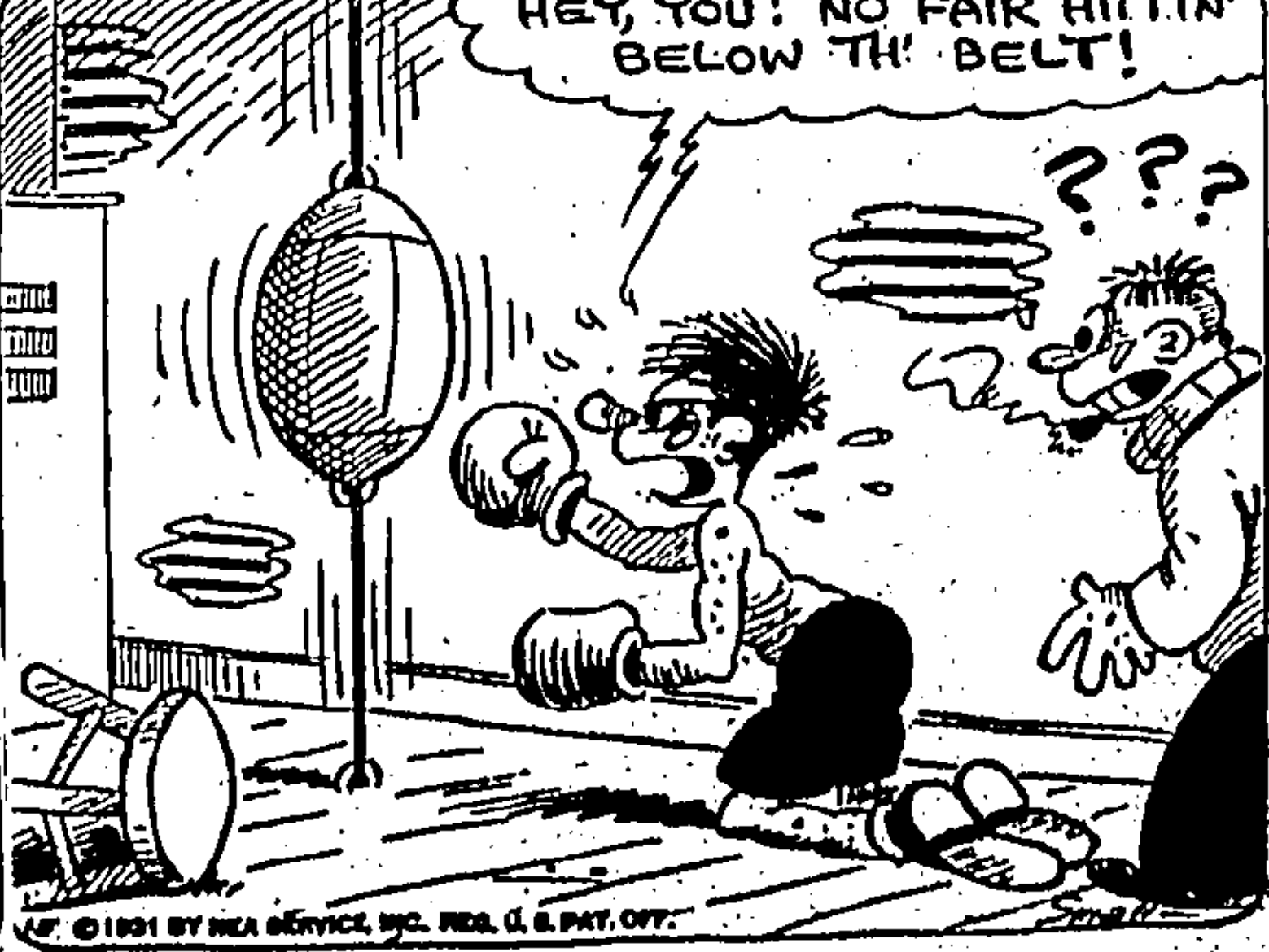
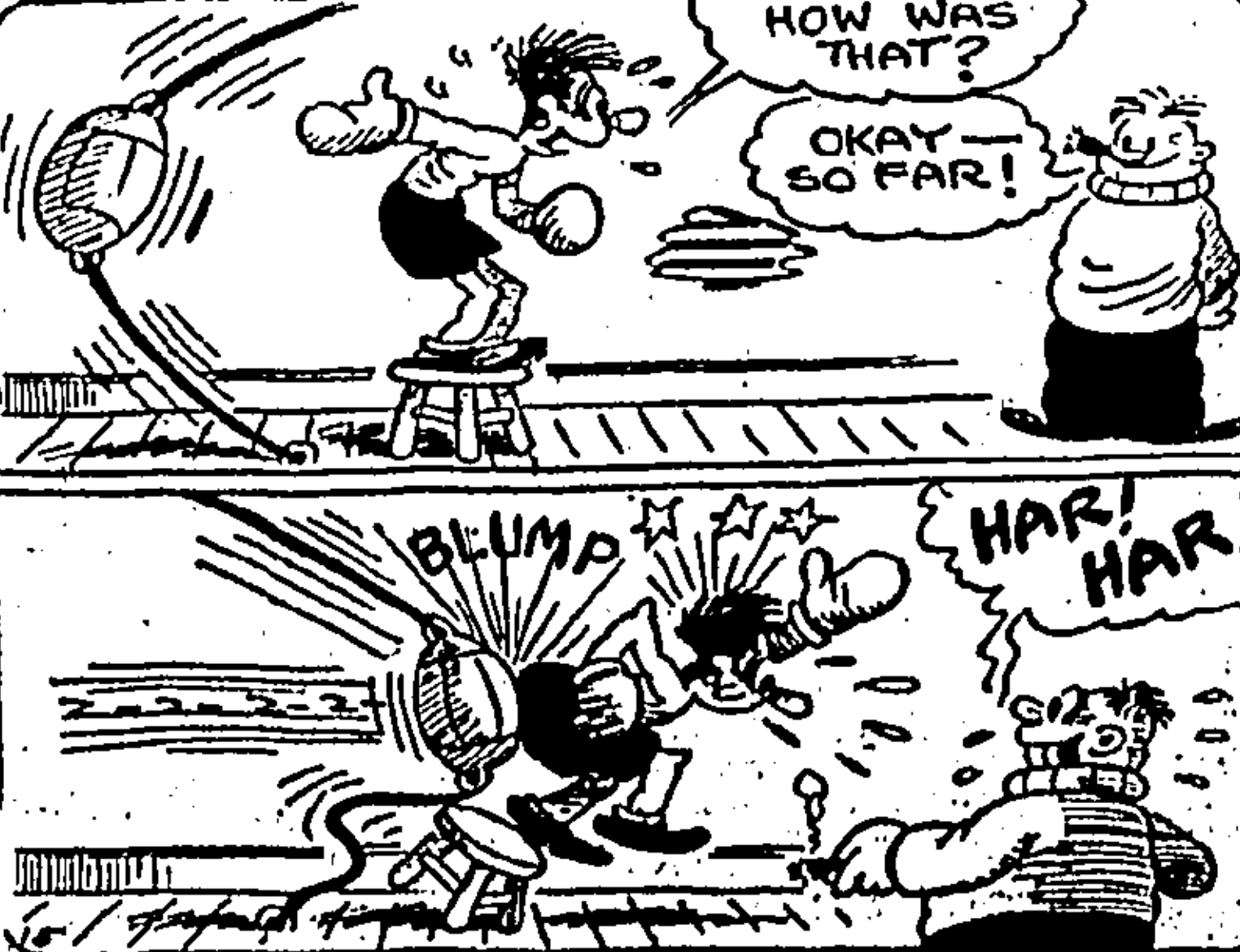


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Striking pictures of scenes from "Faust" given in Canton recently in connexion with the Goethe celebrations and to be repeated in Hongkong on Saturday evening, at St. Paul's Girls School.



A pair of sixteenth-century thatched cottages on Snelmore Common, near Newbury, which have been the subject of correspondence with the local district council. It is hoped that they will be saved from demolition.—(Times copyright).

The dime-a-dance girl

BY JOAN CLAYTON

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

Beautiful Ellen Rowley, a schoolgirl in Barclay's Department Store, lives with her mother, Molly Rowley, her older sister, Mary, and her young brother, Mike. The two girls support the family. Molly foolishly spends money saved to pay the rent. Ellen tries to get a job as a dance hall hostess at Dreamland and learns that she must have an evening dress. She has none. Steven Barclay, her employer, sees her crying and offers to give her a dress. Ellen proudly refuses but agrees to borrow a lovely white frock.

Ellen dines with Barclay and he drives her to Dreamland where he leaves her. Tony, another of the hostesses, befriends and advises Ellen. Ellen hates the cheapness of the dance hall, hates taking a 10-cent ticket to dance with all cameras. She shows a man who knows her, Jacob Solomon, the manager, is about to discharge her when a handsome young man asks to be introduced to her. He says his name is Larry Smith. He goes to buy tickets and while she waits for him, Ellen forgives that she hated Dreamland, forgets Barclay's kindness, forgets everything except Larry Smith.

CHAPTER VI.

Larry had bought a string of tickets, each marked "good for one dance." There were dozens. He dropped the ribbon of bright green over Ellen's bare arm so that it curled almost to the floor.

"That's for all evening," he told her. "No one else is to dance with you."

"I believe you've made a mistake," Ellen said, trying to temper the bubbling joyousness in her voice. "I think they sold you a railroad ticket to California."

"It does look like that," Tony, gliding past, summed up the incident with approving, interested eyes. The 17-year-old plainly considered the older girl to be her protégée.

"I know you'd be lucky, Ellen," she called over her shoulder and was gone.

"Now what did she mean?" Larry demanded.

"She meant I was lucky to find such a good—customer," Ellen advised him demurely.

"No. It's the customer who's lucky."

Their laughter rang out. Larry swept Ellen into his arms and they were caught into the emotion-laden atmosphere of the room. Boys and girls were dancing closely in the semi-darkness, cheek to cheek, heart to heart. Light frocks blurred against the darker clothes of the men; white, bare arms clutched at broad shoulders. There was no sound except the muted whine of the orchestra and the swish of dancing feet, and, from outside, through the open windows, the subdued uproar of a never resting Broadway.

Boys and girls, in the artificial darkness, were snatching feverishly at a little moment of lawless romance, lest it pass them by, snatching at a moment of forgetfulness of daily tasks while the saxophones moaned.

Ellen and Larry bumped into a couple who had stopped for a passionate embrace. Ellen felt again that she would weep. She did not know quite why. But she knew that if Larry Smith attempted to embrace her in that furtive darkness something shining and young and beautiful would be gone forever. At the same time she knew that if he drew her close, close to him she could not resist.

"I don't seem to care much for this," he ventured at length, uncomfortably. And then abruptly,

with no preliminaries, he asked, "What are you doing here?"

Ellen experienced a lightness and buoyancy of spirit as though something she feared had been passed. All at once she was able to laugh at herself. What a mad fool she had become. All of her values seemed changed. So much depended to-night upon so little. She saw that Larry was watching her face as he waited for her to answer. She gestured toward a sign on the wall.

They had to dance through the crowd and to the outskirts so that he could read. His own grey eyes lighted when he read that hostesses when dancing were limited in conversation to "yes" and "no."

"Do you like me a lot?" he inquired promptly.

Ellen feared that he would discern the swift humming of her heart. She felt the colour creeping into her face.

"Go on, tell me," he urged. "Yes or no?"

So he thought he would tease her!

"Yes," Ellen responded, but very dubiously indeed.

He looked disconcerted and then he added sheepishly, "Well that one seems to have been on me. So you think I'm taking an unfair advantage?"

"Yes!"

The second "yes" was emphatic and pointed. Their laughter rang out again.

"Well, what do you say," he suggested, "if we leave the mute dancing to those as likes it mute? I want to talk."

They were at a table and barely seated before he asked the second time, "What are you doing here?"

"Earning my living."

"Do you really mean that?"

He was plainly startled. She had on the tip of her tongue a tart retort and she observed that he was studying her dress. She had forgotten Steven Barclay until—forgotten why she was at Dreamland, forgotten everything except that she was 20 years old and that life had become for her a thrilling and rose-hued miracle. "Certainly I mean it," she replied.

There was no reason why she should explain to this young stranger how it happened that she was able to wear a Paris gown. It was impossible for her to do so. She had a passionate desire that he should know nothing of her responsibilities, of the care and fretting trouble which had shadowed her youth. She wanted only to laugh and to forget everything else. To him she must stand for gaiety, for carelessness and irresponsible fun.

He was not Steven Barclay. How did she know how quickly she might, by any hasty or misjudged attempt to precipitate him into her life, turn that eager look into the expression of boredom that she had seen before.

She did not amplify her bare statement.

He was checked.

"Did you believe me," he asked after a pause, "when I told the



Seated in his little chair, with his dog under the table, little Charles Augustus Lindbergh was photographed by his proud parents on the occasion of his first birthday, as childish eyes and hands investigated the birthday cake with its one candle. Now, the child is the object of a world wide search, his parents frantically hoping that meeting the ransom demands of his kidnappers will speedily restore him, unharmed.

manager my name was Smith?" "If you say it's Smith," Ellen observed irrelevantly, "then it must be Smith."

Her tone was clear, her eyes lucid and innocent. It was the young man's turn to flush. "I'm afraid you won't understand," he began uncomfortably before that lucid gaze, "but anyhow I must explain. My name isn't Smith. When I said it was I hadn't decided."

"Whether or not you'd trust me with the secret," Ellen supplied smoothly.

She was not offended. Larry drew a breath of relief.

"You're being darn nice about it," he said. "Well, anyhow my name is Larry. Larry Harrowgate, age 27, occupation artist of sorts, prospects nothing!"

"I'm to take that as a warning?"

"If you want to take it that way."

They both laughed ecstatically.

"No, but seriously," he presently resumed in a voice which he tried hard to make brisk and sensible. "Did you mean what you said—out on the floor? Do you really like

me?" "Seriously," she answered dutifully, although she still bubbled with excitement and laughter. "I do."

"Then that's that," he observed in satisfaction. "We're through with all the preliminaries. Now we can settle down and really get to know each other."

They were interrupted by a waiter demanding their order. Larry confessed to a ravenous appetite and not even Ellen's warning that the food might be had prevented him from selecting almost everything on the bill of fare. When the waiter withdrew he began to rally her.

"What's wrong with you?" he inquired solicitously. "Are you a canny bird? I never saw a girl before who wouldn't eat on the slightest provocation."

"I didn't want to order anything," Ellen confessed in growing embarrassment, "because I get a percentage on what you pay."

"You foolish youngster! I wouldn't think you were a profligate even if you'd ordered a diamond necklace. I couldn't have paid for it but then—you'll

have to eat half of mine."

But when the food arrived, sandwiches and cakes and a bowl of steaming chow mein, decorated with slivers of chicken, neither wanted to eat. They wanted to dance again and again, to dance forever or until they dropped from exhaustion. Like children on a holiday they skylarked about the floor. Again and again they discovered with pleased and excited exclamations how well their steps fitted. Amazing, thrilling to change quickly from the languorous grace of the tango to the rowdy breathless complications of the outmoded Charleston—amazing to dance with someone who moved almost as you moved.

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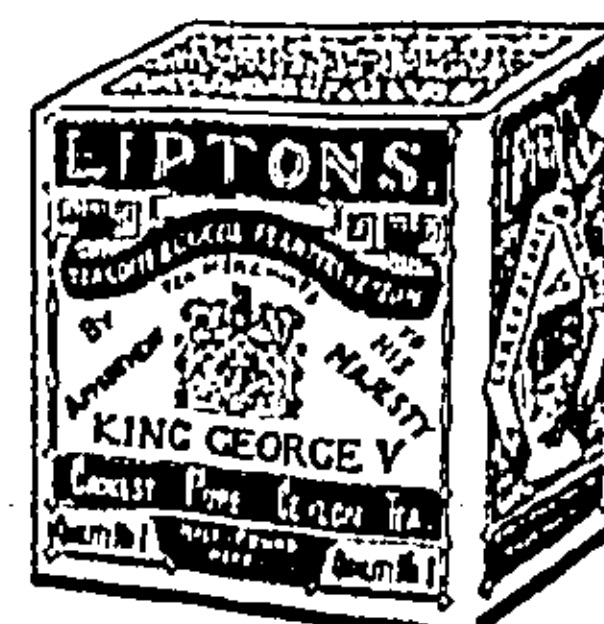
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Sunday, the 17th April, 1932.
First Suddling Bell at 1.15 p.m.
First Race at 2.15 p.m.

Admission to Members' Enclosure will be limited to Members of This Club and Fanling Hunt & Race Club who must wear their Badges.

Non-Members will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure upon payment of \$5 per badge.
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Members and their friends are cordially invited to be present.

A. L. LANDSBERT,
Hon. Secretary.

THE CHINA COAST OFFICERS' CLUB.

Members are requested to attend an Ordinary General Meeting to be held at the Guild office, 67, Des Voeux Road, Central, (David House) on Thursday, 14th April, 1932, at 5.00 p.m.

T. T. LAURENSEN,
Branch Secretary.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-seventh Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 19th April, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 13th day of April, to Tuesday, the 19th day of April, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1932.

IRISH DISPUTE.

LLOYD GEORGE COMES OUT BOLDLY.

London, Apr. 13.
A striking declaration on the Anglo-Irish situation has been made by Mr. Lloyd George. He said he refused to believe the Irish people would perpetrate the folly of a quarrel over something which counted nothing of the essence of liberty.

Mr. de Valera, he added, could not have it both ways. "He cannot have the swag of complete independence and the substantial advantages of being inside the British Commonwealth."

Referring to the land annuities, Mr. Lloyd George said the terms given by the British Government to the Irish peasants to enable them to purchase their freeholds were very generous. The Government advanced the whole of the purchase money, and the former tenant, who had now become the owner, had to pay an annuity to meet the interest and sinking fund charges for this price. Altogether the British exchequer had advanced prior to the formation of the Irish Free State, some £39,500,000 for land purchase, and had paid nearly £10,000,000 in bonuses.

The sinking fund repayments to date amounted to about £13,500,000, so that about £26,000,000 was still outstanding.—British Wireless.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$155 1/2 n.
Chartered Bank, \$11 3/4 n.
Mercantile Bank, \$18 1/2 n.
East Asia, \$115 b.
Am. O. Finance Corp., \$20 n.

Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$1250 n.
Union Ins., \$475 b.
China Underwriters, \$4 b.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,195 n.

Shipping.
Douglas, \$25 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$23 n.
Indo-China, (Prof.), \$32 n.
Union Waterboats, \$19 1/2 n.

Mining.
Benguet, \$13 1/2 b.
Kailash, 22/8 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Raub, \$38 b.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$142 1/2 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$20 3/4 b.
South China Motors, \$10 n.
Providents (old), \$4.85 b.
Hongkong, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 5 1/4 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 88 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15 b.
Shanghai Cotton, Tls. 75 n.
Zoon Sings, Tls. 1 1/2 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotels, \$13.25 b. Cum Rts.
H. K. Hotels, Rts. \$2.60 n.
H. K. Lands, \$78 n.
S'hai Lands, Tls. 25 n.
Humphreys, \$16.75 n.
Realities, \$11.60 b.
Asia Realities "A", \$160 n.
Asia Realities "B", \$30n.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$21.75 b.
Peak Tram, (old), \$15.50 n.
Star Ferries, \$30 1/2 b.
China Lights, \$21.25 n.
H. K. Electric, \$74 b.
Macao Electric, \$24 1/2 n.
Telephones, \$41 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Traction, 3/- n.

Industrials.
Malabon, \$21 n.
Canton Ices, \$5 1/2 n.
Cements (com.), \$18.40 n.
Ropes, \$15 n.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$28.60 n.
Watsons, (old), \$16 n.
Watsons Rights, 3 1/2 n.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawford, \$5.30 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sinceres, \$16 1/2 b.
Powells, \$5.65 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$23 b.
Entertainments (old), \$14.90 n.
Constructions (old), \$5.75 n.
Constructions (new), \$1.85 b.
S. C. Enterprises \$10 s.
B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$58% n.
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Fifty Years' Defence of Criminals.

CILARENCE DARROW, defence counsel in the Fortescue Trial in Honolulu, whose autobiography has just been published in the Marshall Hall of America. For nearly fifty years he has practised law in the criminal courts, not only of Chicago, his headquarters, but in cities throughout the Continent.

Friend of the "submerged tenth," he linked himself with the American trade unionists in their fight with the corporations and first came into prominence when he defended the dynamiters of the West. He was not in the Thaw case, but he saved from execution the two Chicago boys who kidnapped and killed another boy, Robert Franks, merely for the satisfaction of perpetrating a "perfect crime."

A plea of "guilty" was entered, and the young murderers were sentenced to life imprisonment.

Mr. Darrow's vast experience has brought him to these unexpected conclusions:
In my vocabulary there is no such word as "guilt." Believing that the law of cause and effect reaches through every part of the universe, I come to but one conclusion—no one deserves either praise or blame.

In my defence of men and women I have sought to bring courts and juries to understand this philosophy, which I think is largely responsible for what success I have had. Often my clients did not do the things with which they were charged. Sometimes they did do them, and then I tried to make courts and juries understand the reason why.

None Executed.

So great was Mr. Darrow's success that no prisoner he ever defended was sentenced to death, although in many cases the prosecution demanded the supreme penalty.

He is obsessed with the amount of insanity that exists in the world and believes that most people are not yet attuned to the world's rapid progress in the past few generations.

The senseless criticism against the defence of insanity seem to impress the public. Newspapers and individuals constantly belittle this defence, and still, given any general test, it is more apt to indicate insanity than criminality. It is constantly claimed that there is an increase of criminals, while the fact is that insanity is much more rapidly increasing throughout the world. Most of the unbalanced minds go through life without being detected or recognised as such.

Darrow volunteered to lead the defence of John T. Scopes, the young teacher of Dayton, Tenn., who was prosecuted for teaching the doctrine of evolution in a local school.

While the court was adjourned, towards the end of this farcical case, William Jennings Bryan, the famous Democratic presidential candidate who was helping the prosecution, died suddenly.

"A man who for years had fought excessive drinking lay dead from indigestion caused by over-eating," is Mr. Darrow's sarcastic comment. He gives us this cruel final picture of the "Great Commoner":

I see him now as he sat in Dayton in that country court-room in those blazing July days.

The merry twinkle had vanished from his eyes. His huge jaw was pushed forward, stern and cruel and forbidding, immobile and unyielding. His speculations had ripened into unchangeable convictions. He did not think. He knew. His eyes plainly revealed mental disintegration. He had reached a stage of hallucination that would impel him to commit any cruelty that he believed would help his cause.

LEAGUE AND FAR EAST PROBLEM.

REPORTS OF REBUFF TO CHINESE.

Tokyo, Apr. 13.
It is authoritatively learned here that the League of Nations Secretariat has advised the Chinese delegation at Geneva that China should continue the armistice negotiations at Shanghai instead of appealing to the League.

Report Denied.

Nanking, Apr. 13.
The spokesman of the Chinese Government, interviewed by Reuters, categorically denied the report from Tokyo that the League had advised the Chinese delegation at Geneva that China should continue the peace negotiations at Shanghai instead of appealing to the League.

On the contrary, he stated that the Chinese Government had been informed by the League that the Assembly committee was meeting on April 16 for the purpose of discussing China's appeal and devising ways and means of carrying out the Assembly's resolutions.

SHIP ABANDONED.

ALL ABOARD REPORTED RESCUED.

Shanghai, Apr. 13.
It is now reported that all aboard the Daisan Taipei Maru have been rescued.

The ship and cargo have been abandoned.—Reuters Special.

A Tokyo message of Apr. 12 stated:
The steamer Daisan Taipei Maru, carrying 950 Japanese fishermen bound for the Kuriles, has gone aground off Okinawa, and is reported to be in imminent danger, owing to heavy seas, which are also preventing rescue vessels from approaching.

PRUSSIAN ELECTION.

NAZIS' HOPES OF POWER FRUSTRATED.

Berlin, Apr. 13.
An almost insuperable obstacle to the attaining of power by the Nazis at the forthcoming Prussian elections has been raised by the Diet passing a Bill prescribing that the Prussian Premier henceforth can only be elected by an absolute majority.

This removes the chance of the Nazis slipping into power if the present Government parties fail to retain their majority.

It is expected that the Bill will raise a storm of opposition.—Reuters Special Service.

A SHORT MEMORIAL.

PROPOSED MONUMENT IN KOATIEH VILLAGE.

Nanking, Apr. 13.
The citizens of Soochow are proposing to erect a monument in the village of Koatien, near Soochow, where Mr. Robert Short met his death fighting Japanese aeroplanes.

The citizens hope that Mr. Short's mother, who is now on route to China, will visit Soochow to participate in the ceremonies of unveiling the monument.—Reuters.

History is replete with men of this type, and they have added sorrow and desolation to the world.

Only when Mr. Darrow writes about the causes celebre in which he figured is he interesting. His book suffers from the dreary fatalism of his Agnostic views. He forcibly states the strongest possible case against Prohibition without adding anything new.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

INWARD MAILS.		Date
Japan and Shanghai	Per Yasukuni Maru	April 14.
Manila	Per Pres. Cleveland	April 15.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only), London, 17th March	Hong Hwa	April 15.
Shanghai & Swatow	Sinkiang	April 16.
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only), London, 17th March	Fushimi Maru	April 16.
Japan and Shanghai	Asama Maru	April 16.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco 18th March)	Pres. Hayes	April 16.
Japan	Ginyo Maru	April 17.
Japan and Shanghai	Helan Maru	April 17.
Calcutta & Straits	Kuteang	April 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 26th March)	Pres. Jackson	April 18.
Australia and Manila	Kitano Maru	April 21.
Japan and Shanghai	Rawalpindi	April 22.
Japan	Rio de Janeiro Maru	April 22.
U. S. A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 2nd April)	Pres. Taft	April 22.
OUTWARD MAILS.		Date and Time.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Apr. 14, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Kwangtung	Thurs., Apr. 14, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Prominent	Thurs., Apr. 14, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Thurs., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Thurs., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta	Talamba	Thurs., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.
Manila	Parcels	Thurs., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Letters	Thurs., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Emp. of Russia	Thurs., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
Yasukuni Maru	Tilsdane	Fri., Apr. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Reg.	K.P.O.	Fri., Apr. 15, 10 a.m.
Letters	G.P.O.	Fri., Apr. 15, 1 p.m.
Reg.	G.P.O.	Fri., Apr. 15, 12.45 p.m.
Letters	G.P.O.	Fri., Apr. 15, 1.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 11th May)		
Amoy	Tsinan	Fri., Apr. 15, 12.30 p.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Muinam	Fri., Apr. 15, 1 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U. S. A., Central and S. America and "Europe via Victoria B. C."		
Pres. Cleveland		Fri., April 15.
Parcels		Fri., April 15.
Reg.		Fri., April 15.
Letters		Fri., April 15.
(Due Victoria B. C. 3rd May)		
Shanghai and "Europe via Siberia"	Pres. Cleveland	Fri., April 15.
Reg.		Fri., April 15.
Letters		Fri., April 15.
Haiphong	Canton	Sat., Apr. 16, 2.30 p.m.
Japan	Fushimi Maru	Sat., Apr. 16, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Hayes	Sat., Apr. 16, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Asama Maru	Sun., Apr. 17, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Hozan Maru	Sun., Apr. 17, 9 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kwangchow	Sun., Apr. 17, 9 a.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Com. Henri Riviere	Mon., Apr. 18, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Haiyang	Mon., Apr. 18, 1 p.m.
*Swatow, *Amoy and Foochow, *U.S.A., *Canada, *Central and *South America, and *Europe via San Francisco and *Europe via Siberia	Taiyo Maru	Tues., Apr. 19.
Reg.		Tues., Apr. 19.
Letters		Tues., Apr. 19.
(Due San Francisco, 18th May)		
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Changto	Tues., Apr. 19.
Parcels		Tues., Apr. 19.
Registration		Tues., Apr. 19.
Letters		Tues., Apr. 19.
(Due Thursday Island 30th April)		
Batavia	Tjikembang	Tues., Apr. 19, 10 a.m.
Japan and *South American ports	Ginyo Maru	Tues., Apr. 19, 10 a.m.
Swatow	Norviken	Tues., Apr. 19, 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Yusang	Thurs., Apr. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Rawalpindi	Sat., Apr. 23.
Reg.	K.P.O.	Sat., Apr. 23.
Letters	G.P.O.	Sat., Apr. 23.
Parcels	G.P.O.	Sat., Apr. 23.
Registration	G.P.O.	Sat., Apr. 23.
Letters	G.P.O.	Sat., Apr. 23.
(Due Marseilles, 20th May)		
Saigon and South Africa and *South American Ports	Rio de Janeiro Maru	Sat., Apr. 23, 10 a.m.
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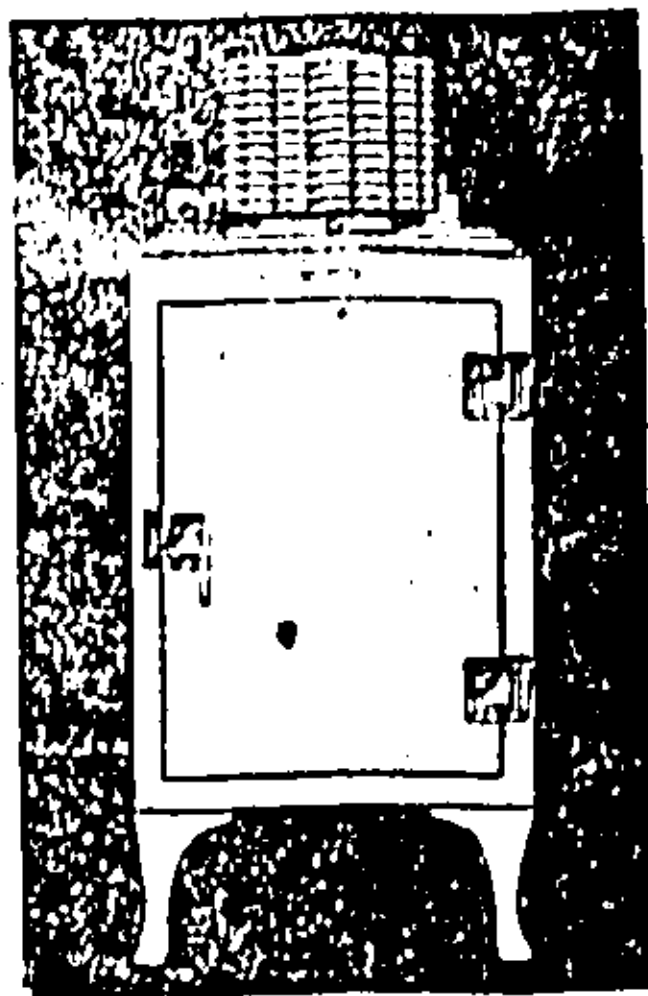


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WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

TWO NEW DAINTY PRINT SPRING FROCKS.



[By Joan Savoy.]

Pictured on the left is an ideal little print frock.

It has a French blue background, with daisies in white, yellow and dark blue.

This frock has the new tight-through-the-waistline cut, has

sleeves cut in one with the waist and a brand new elbow puff, made of plain blue, with white daisies hand-applied on to them. The cowl neckline is very becoming and this is the new wide cowl that will be good this spring.

The frock on the right is a fine all-over green and white

print, in almost a Paisley effect. There are deep cuffed sleeves, with elbow puffs, and a new surprise effect, made by using plain green for a wide girdle that ties shut under one arm. The side jabot bow is made half of the flared silk and half of plain green.

TO-DAY'S RECIPES.

Some Unusual Scones.

Apple Ginger Scones.

Take one medium sized apple, 1 lb. flour, 2oz. butter, one teaspoon ground ginger, 1 teaspoon of bicarbonate of soda, one cup sour milk, 3oz. each of prepared raisins and currants, one teaspoon cream of tartar and 2oz. sugar.

Rub the butter into the well sieved flour, then add the cream of tartar freed from lumps, and sugar. Peel, core and finely chop the apple almost to shavings. Add the fruit, ginger, currants and raisins. Mix well. Lastly dissolve the soda in the milk (cold) and mix in with the mixture to make a soft dough. Turn out on a well floured board, but do not roll out with a rolling pin. Flour the hands well and pat the dough lightly. Cut into shapes with a scone cutter and bake in a moderate oven for 25 to 30 minutes.

These scones may be glazed by brushing the tops over with 1oz. sugar dissolved in one tablespoonful of warm water before placing in the oven. Serve these scones with butter and marmalade.

Savoury Scones.

Chop finely two hard-boiled eggs. Melt one tablespoon butter, add one tablespoon anchovy paste, a sprinkle of pepper, and a squeeze of lemon juice.

Mix well together. Make an ordinary scone dough (not sweet) and divide into two. Roll both out fairly thin. Spread mixture on one piece and cover with the other. Cut

into scones. Sprinkle with grated cheese and bake in a moderate oven.

Cocoanut Scones.

Rub one tablespoonful butter into three cupfuls of self-raising flour, to which has been added a good pinch of salt, a teaspoonful sugar and a teaspoonful desiccated cocoanut; then, when well mixed, add one beaten egg and enough milk to make into soft dough.

Roll this dough in the mixing bowl into a round roll and cut off neat slices 1/2 in. in width. Place on greased slide and bake in a moderate oven 12 minutes.

Cinnamon Scones.

Put 1lb. of self-raising flour into a basin, add one tablespoon castor sugar and one teaspoon cinnamon, mix well. Put in 1oz. butter, mix all into a moist dough with a breakfast cup of milk. Do not knead much, for the lighter the dough the lighter the scones.

Have a very hot oven ready. Roll out dough to three-quarters of an inch thick, cut into rounds, put on to warm oven shelf and bake for seven minutes. You must have a hot oven to have nice light scones. If you want a fruit scone you can add two tablespoonfuls of either sultanas or currants or dates cut up. These are delicious. Cool on a sieve with a tea towel over them.

RED AND BLACK CROCKERY.

Some of the newest crockery, vases and so on intended for use on a dark polished table, are made of black and red china. Large flower bowls are made of the deep ruby like colour, with rims of black; tall vases of various shapes are de-

BEAUTY LESSONS.

"Make-Up."

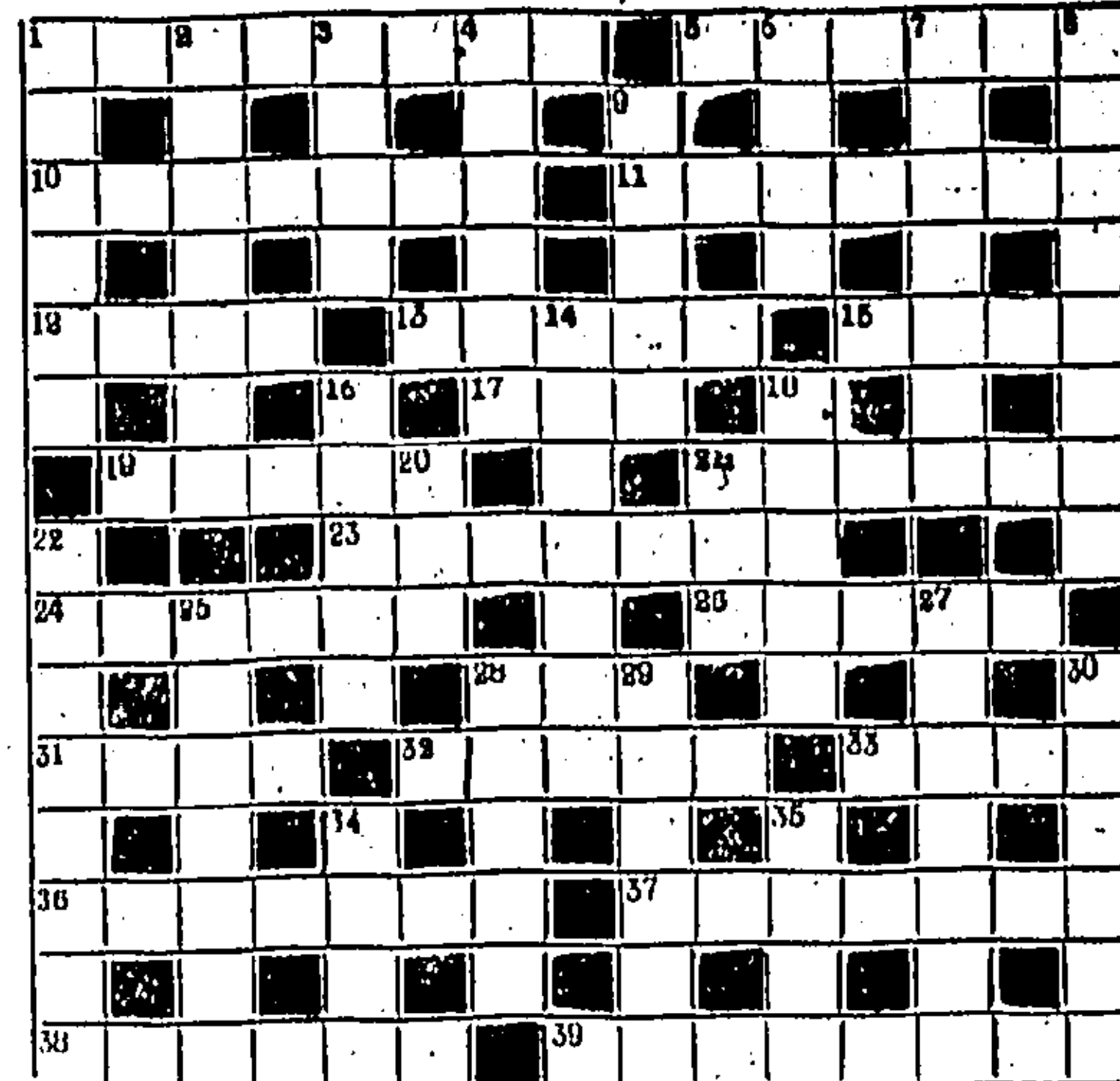
Always use a foundation cream before applying powder, which otherwise works into the pores and clogs them. A nourishing foundation cream, not a dry one, is best for Englishwomen, but it must leave no trace of grease to attract dust.

Find out how to apply the rouge by slapping the face and noticing just where the colour comes into the cheeks. That is the natural surface to be rouged. Apply it in a triangle, very sparingly, and then rub in with circular movements of the finger tip. Lipstick, lightly applied, makes quite a good rouge. Broad faces should have the rouge carried round towards the ear; keep it near to the nose if the face is narrow. A mere touch of rouge on the centre of the chin shortens the long face. Carry the rouge up beneath the eyes if they look tired.

Powder lightly over the whole face and neck. Choose the powder with care, buying a flattering shade which gives colour to the face and does not look obvious because it is too light. A green tinge in the powder will improve a florid complexion. It is a good plan to buy two or three tints, all of the same scent, and blend them for different occasions.

signed in a similar manner. A pair of book ends, which completes the set, is made in the form of two pointer pigeons, also of red china with their tails and wing feathers marked in black.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Set free within the period of greatest vigour.
- 5 Involve.
- 10 May be in or out, and though age plays its part, the game is one for youth.
- 11 This thistle may be seen on many Scottish football fields.
- 12 Half on, and long before evening.
- 13 Sounds as though this Surrey town might incite them.
- 15 Enough long ago.
- 17 Lug.
- 19 So ten made an attack.
- 21 Not likely to consist of many courses at its interior.
- 23 Go back to the refuge.
- 24 Sounds as though one might be addressing the goose who didn't know that it was in Africa.
- 26 River of France.
- 28 As the result of a wager the girl is very short.
- 31 Be divided about the alternative if you choose, but it's generally shunned.
- 32 A beverage taken by Fred that one associates with a racket.
- 33 Aid.
- 36 Missionary and athlete.
- 37 A complaint that invariably involves the sack.
- 38 Known also as the sting-fish, one might imagine that a spinning bait would prove effective.
- 39 This little animal provides good advice to the greedy individual who has backed his fancy too freely.

Down

- 1 Leaving the old home is always pathetic.
- 2 The farmers in the vicinity of this Cheshire town are doubtless hoping that there will soon be a first on the second.
- 3 A draw in which four horses are concerned.
- 4 "When I am dead and gone, Remember to—me on the French."

"I. King Henry VI."

- 6 Tyrant of old time.
- 7 Once the home of the popes.
- 8 It is certainly not cold by the side of the evangelist, but neither is it warm.
- 9 Would be useless in a fight if it lost its head.
- 14 A looter who runs.
- 16 Diver (anag.).
- 18 Observances which suggest that we should stand up for them.
- 20 Drink.
- 21 Sh! It sounds as though you had come back mad.
- 22 Out-of-date feminine finery that a rabbit has.
- 25 To cut it short, it crosses the river in Essex.
- 27 "Now, really, this appears the common case of putting too much — into 'Sunday'—Hood.
- 28 "An Open Question."
- 29 When upset the girl is liable to make a ticket.
- 30 There is shelter in this Irish bay.
- 32 Powerful.
- 34 Here it is.
- 35 Gums up, but neat, nevertheless.

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DEATH.

ROBY.—On April 8th at Pagoda Anchorage, Foochow, Ernest Vincent Roby of the Asiatic Petroleum Company (South China) Ltd.

The
Hongkong Telegraph

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1932.

LAND GRANT DELAYS.

One of the proposals put forward by the Retrenchment Commission which the Government has not felt disposed to adopt is the creation of a permanent Zoning Committee for the purpose of mapping out areas in which Crown land is available for development. It is to be regretted that the suggestion has not been more favourably received, inasmuch as, with the complementary proposals accompanying it, the idea appears to be eminently sound. The Retrenchment Commission urged that areas be mapped out in advance, and, further, that the Government from time to time publish in the Gazette particulars of such areas, thus preventing applications for sites which are not available. The standing Zoning Committee, it was urged, should be under the chairmanship of the Director of Public Works, with expert unofficial representatives serving on it. The whole scheme strikes us as being businesslike in character, and, if put into operation, it should, as the Commission suggests, enable speedy grants of sites without the present multiplicity of reference, which inevitably creates delay.

It is, indeed, on this point of delay that the Commissioners base their recommendations. The reason, apparently, does not lie so much in individual officers, but is rather the result of the unwieldy system whereby applications have to be referred to so many departments. What is obviously needed is a simplification of the procedure, which would result not only in saving of time, but would also put the whole matter of land grants on a better footing. The Government, in rejecting the proposals, points out that there was previously in existence a Town Planning Committee doing work similar to that suggested for the Zoning Committee, but it ceased to meet nine years ago. Further town-planning schemes are now being prepared, and the Government says that when these are ready they can be scrutinised by a specially appointed Committee, adding that only when large new areas are opened up for development would a permanent Committee be required. We cannot see that these arguments dispose of the case put forward by the Commissioners. Apart altogether from big town-planning schemes, there are constant applications being made for land, and, despite

the fact that sales and development arrangements are said to be in accordance with the recommendations of the now defunct Town-Planning Committee, the fact remains that there is interminable delay in making grants. Obviously this should not be the case.

The Commissioners refer to complaints of such delays, and we have ourselves often heard them. We have, indeed, a case in mind in which efforts have been made to secure a plot of land for industrial purposes, but so far without anything tangible accruing. This is bad from many standpoints. In the first place, it hampers trade development, and, in the second, it deprives the Government of needed revenue. Developments in other parts of the Far East seem likely to enhance Hongkong's prestige as a business and industrial centre, but the Colony will not derive full benefit from this trend unless it offers every facility to those seeking grants of land for the purpose of development. The proposals advanced by the Commissioners should overcome much of the present delay, for which reason we entertain the hope that the Government may reconsider its decision. At any rate, some definite overhauling of the existing methods seems an urgent necessity.

Boat Races, Rosettes and Ties.

Sartorially the varsity man all the world over is a curious creature. Take his attitude, for example, toward such things as rosettes and ties. On the morning of Boat Race Saturday everyone in London wears a huge rosette indicating whether Oxford or Cambridge is the flattered possessor of his sympathy. Everyone, that is, except those whose youth has been spent at either of the two universities, these being distinguished amongst the crowds who throng Piccadilly and the Strand by the elaborate ostentation with which they are not wearing rosettes. Yet that connexion with learning which the university man refuses to admit in a rosette he whispers in his college tie, so that the curious situation arises that, while he rejoices to see the citizens of London boldly carrying the rosette either of his own university or of the other place, if he perceives a single one of them wearing (albeit in innocent ignorance) a college tie to which he is not entitled, he is moved to indignation and distress, and even to writing to the papers about it. Such is the situation disclosed in a recent correspondence in the London press. The difficulty of course results from the fact that the ordinary man's choice in ties is restricted to quite narrow dimensions because so many combinations of attractive and tasteful stripes and colours have already been appropriated by schools or colleges. These places of education might nobly save the day by following the example of a society in a famous Oxford college, which collected a tie of such a remarkable collection of colours, of yellow and purple, and green, and heliotrope, that no rational citizen could ever have been tempted to remove it from a shop window. But there is a snag about a tie such as this: no single member of the society in question was ever persuaded to wear it.

ROMAN CATHOLICS IN
ENGLAND.

ITALIAN PRESS ON INCREASED NUMBERS.

Rome, Mar. 6.

Discussing "the continued progress in England of conversion to Catholicism," the Roman Catholic newspaper *L'Avenire d'Italia* argues that the major cause of this is the question of the Prayer Book.

"The question of the Prayer Book which has so aroused Anglican clerics and laymen seems to have made wider than ever the road for an overflowing advance of Roman Catholicism in England."

Discussing statistical figures published in *La Liberté* the Italian journal continues: "What has favoured this orientation of the English spirit towards Rome is undoubtedly the undecided, if not cold and disconcerting, attitude of the Anglican Church and the eternal question of the indissolubility of marriage."

DAY BY DAY

CONCISE PHRASES MAKE FANTASIES—Morley.

Sir Shou-son Chow has completely recovered from his recent indisposition.

The many friends of Mr. E. R. Child, of China Underwriters, will be glad to learn that he has now left hospital after his recent operation. He has taken up residence at Repulse Bay.

Whilst tending to a military horse at the Camp at Shamshui, yesterday, Pte Gillespie, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, was bitten by the animal. He was later treated by the military medical authorities.

Mr. B. Paul will speak on "From Atlantis to England" at the usual weekly public lecture of the Hongkong Lodge, the Theosophical Society, 17, Queen's Road Central, to-day at 8 p.m. This lecture was postponed from last week owing to the death of Mr. Manuk.

The hollowed-out interior of a bamboo pole was discovered by Revenue searchers yesterday to be the receptacle for a half-gallon of dutiable Chinese wine. The would-be smuggler, a coolie, was brought by Revenue Ward before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy to-day, and was fined \$10, with the option of a week's hard labour.

An unknown Chinese is believed to have committed suicide yesterday morning, when travelling as a second-class passenger from Canton on the Sui On, he disappeared leaving behind a number of letters, one of which was addressed to his wife at Canton. The matter was reported by the master to the police on the arrival of the boat here.

A fine of \$7,000, with the alternative of one year's hard labour, was imposed on a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning on a charge of being in possession of 65 tael of prepared opium. He was arrested when about to leave a wharf on the waterfront. The defendant informed his Worship that as his mother had intended to sell his young brother he had decided to assist her financially by carrying the opium for another man.

The annual meeting of the League of Nations, Hongkong branch, will be held to-morrow at 6.15 p.m. in the St. John's Cathedral Hall, to hear the Secretary's report, the Treasurer's report, the President's address, and for the election of officers. The following resolution will be proposed:—"That this Annual Meeting of the League of Nations Society, Hongkong, desires to express its wholehearted support of the objects and general policy of the League of Nations, and in particular of its efforts to deal with the present situation in the Far East."

THE EARTH'S CORE.

REPRODUCTION ATTEMPT BY SCIENTISTS.

A five-year study of the nature of earthquakes has been begun by Harvard scientists, with an attempt to reproduce, artificially, a heat pressure comparing with that of the earth's core.

It is expected that the project will reveal how the earth is built and minerals created, and how they may be found. The scientists are using apparatus which has squeezed water into five different solid forms and pressed air into a form as dense as water.

WHAT IS A
BEAUTIFUL WOMAN.

By GERALD KELLY, the Portrait Painter.

WHEN people ask me about beauties I carefully inquire whether they mean pretty and attractive creatures, which is a subject easy to chatter about and delightful to investigate, or whether they really mean beautiful women, outstanding figures who have inspired artists, started legends, and contributed to history.

Creatures as superlative as Joyce Weathered and Shakespeare, Bobby Jones and Sappho, Lindrum or Bradman, Einstein or Newton, Mary Queen of Scots, Titian or Velasquez.

Good Looks.

Because I am a painter, and primarily a portrait painter, it is unwise for me to express quite candidly what I think about the people I see. This is one of the questions in which everybody's natural opinion, trained or untrained, is the best for him.

The appeal of good looks is to the instinct; it comes to people before they have collected erudition and, thank God, stays with them all their life. I really do know an enormous lot that I did not know, but I can recognise what I think is a pretty woman when I see one just as well as when I first sat up and took notice.

The one thing that men have always been interested in is Beautiful Women, and I cannot imagine how it can ever cease to be so. All that tradition and literature have brought down to us is shot through with stories of lovely women, the joy they have given, and the damage they have done.

Only in the Old Testament does there seem to be a scarcity, though Jewesses can be so lovely. I can only think of the Queen of Sheba and Esther and Bathsheba.

But in Greece, oh my! First, there was Helen. And after the stories told of her come the innumerable stories told of a multitude of women celebrated by the Greeks, who were exquisite connoisseurs. Other nations less profoundly occupied with beauty than were the Greeks have left us written records of their famous women, and as the time comes nearer to our own the total mounts up magnificently.

But what a tragic pity that we have no record of what they looked like! I wonder what we should think if we could see them?

It so happens that there are in Burlington House now some authentic portraits of renowned beauties, and, apart from questions of painting, this exhibition should be visited by all enthusiasts of "the female form divine." When or where in the world, or anywhere else in the world, was there a lovelier body than that represented in Ingres's "La Source"?

Tastes Have Changed.

Though Mme. de Pompadour was not so lovely as Phryne, and Boucher was not so great an artist as Praxiteles, visitors to the Royal Academy can gather some fair idea of what she was

like who had such immense power over Louis XV. and the taste of his time.

There is also Mme. Recamier, who was known for her wit, her grace, and her beauty, and who had the last of the salons. People raved about her. Gerard painted a superb picture of this exquisite lady. I should like my readers also to look carefully at the portrait by Ingres of Mme. Aymon, known as "La Belle Zelle," which is particularly interesting since it represents a renowned beauty of that time whom I do not think we should so class to-day, for our taste has changed.

Indeed, in the past there have been changes of taste. They tell me, for example, that in Queen Elizabeth's time no dark-haired woman had a chance. I wonder whether that was so? How odd it seems. Was it a kind of flattery for that red-haired Queen? Or did they really not like them dark?

Any reader of Balzac must be struck with the mummy-pamby type he thought lovely. The pure oval of the face, slightly prominent eyes, the tiny mouth (shrunk perhaps by the constant pronunciation of such words as prunes and prisms?) seems to suggest a kind of egg and be reminiscent of a bag of lard.

Anyone who looks at the women in the big picture by Ingres, "Le Martyre de Saint Symphonien," can see what I am trying to describe. It is almost incredible to think that M. de Nucingen ruined himself for such a nimny. And isn't it tragic bad luck for the girls who to-day resemble that type? Born too late, poor dears, they have little or no success because they are considered to be without character.

I think the "Raphaelesque" type was rather blown upon by the time I began to take notice. When I was young people were inclined to denigrate prettiness, which was considered slightly vulgar.

Money was not widely spread, and even among the rich many did not make the best of themselves, but people really did discuss the great beauties, and in London the lovely Duchess of Leinster, Lady Dudley, Mary Anderson, and Mrs. Langtry simply towered above their contemporaries, and supreme among them was Lily Langtry.

The Loveliest Women.

People seem to have gone wild about her, and strong men got up on little green chairs in the Park so as to be able to get a glimpse of her. What should we think of Mrs. Langtry if we could see her now as she was at her loveliest and with the advantages of modern frocks? What would they think of her at Hollywood? Would she overwhelm the beauties of to-day?

I think the loveliest women I ever saw were Lina Cavalieri and, after her, Lady Diana Manners, and after her, Kay Francis. And after her, Annabella, the French star.

And yet it seems almost ridiculous not to mention Lily Elsie, who was more than pretty. Remember this is not a discussion about pretty girls; of them there are more about now than ever. We are not occupied with the good club player whose handicap is about two, but with the champion class plus four and better. There may be some who attain this class by sheer physical perfection, but, of course, the outstanding creatures are those who in addition to loveliness of body bring grace, charm, or individual character, and it is probably the absence of these extra qualities that make us call certain women pretty instead of beautiful.

When I think of the women who were marvellous to look at and impossible to forget I must add the names of sweet Ellen Terry and Pavlova and Pastora Imperio. Was it the voice with Miss Terry, the grace of Pavlova, the wit and passion of Pastora?

I suggest that we can each of us take a much more intelligent interest in this thrilling question than could our fathers have done. For the cinema has come and shown us so many more lovely creatures than we should have seen without it; our interest has been aroused, and our taste and standards must now be much higher.

Let those who will take the trouble to go to Burlington House and see the pictures that I have mentioned, and then, remembering Romney's paintings of lovely Lady Hamilton to add to their personal experience at home and in the cinema, they can proceed to settle this important question.

Fashion decrees the nature and type of what we rate highly, and Fashion is constantly changing. Probably in questions of Beauty we are also the slaves of Fashion.

But at least we are leaving to our descendants very complete records of what we deem beautiful. Will they like them, or even bother to keep them?

GERALD KELLY.



"Tell the Herberts, darling, what all you said to that fresh elevator boy."

MUSICAL TREAT.

FINE RECITAL BY THE SCHNEIDER TRIO.

Offering an unforgettable musical treat, which held the audience spellbound, the Schneider Trio last night gave the first of their return recitals at the Helena May Institute. Once again, for some inexplicable reason, the attendance was not large, although what the audience lacked in numbers, it endeavored to make up in enthusiasm, and the trio could not wish for a more gratifying reception.

Read experts in their art, the trio occupies a foremost place among the leading musical combinations of the world, and those in Hongkong who allow the players to depart without hearing them will experience a lasting regret.

Last night the instrumentalists offered three trio compositions by Mozart, Pizzetti, and Gretschani-nov. The first was Mozart's comparatively well-known Trio No. 2 in B-flat Major, three movements. This gave the performers a revealing opportunity of the right opportunity of delicate and intricate compositions, and served as a fitting introduction to the more spectacular pieces which followed.

Pizzetti's Trio in A, composed as late as 1925, was the outstanding achievement of the evening. The magnificent Mossoe Arioso, leading up to the majestic movement of the Largo, and the sheer abandon of Rapsodia di Settembre, was magnificently played, and the whole performance was a triumph of technique and a masterly musicianship. It will long be remembered by those who heard it.

The concluding offering was Gretschani-nov's Trio Op. 38, with its powerful Allegro Appassionato, appealing Lento Assai, and majestic Finale. In its rendition the trio were heard at their best, their performance defying criticism.

Professor Baron Anatol Vittinghoff-Schell was at the piano, with Renja Vaschitz (violin) and Professor Wolfgang Schneider (violinello).

The second programme is being given on Wednesday next, and will consist of trios by Beethoven, Marx and Schubert. For this, there should be a capacity house.

SOCCER IN THE SOUTH.

PALACE DRAW AT BRENTFORD.

London, Apr. 13. Four matches were played in the Southern Section of the Third Division, English League to-day, but the important league positions were not affected thereby.

The results were:

Brentford	1	Crystal Pal.	1
Cardiff	3	Swindon	0
Gillingham	0	Brighton	0
Watford	3	Luton	1

The amended table follows:

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	
Fulham	38 21 9 101 56 51
Southend	38 19 9 10 69 51 47
Reading	38 19 9 10 83 66 47
Exeter	38 19 7 12 73 67 45
Brentford	38 17 10 11 62 47 41
Crystal Pal.	38 17 10 11 62 47 41
Brighton	38 16 11 11 61 51 43
Luton	38 16 6 16 83 66 42
Norwich	38 16 10 12 66 56 42
Cardiff	38 17 7 14 78 70 41
Watford	38 16 8 14 74 72 40
Coventry	38 6 7 15 29 87 39
Queen's P. R.	38 13 11 14 72 68 37
Swindon	38 14 6 18 67 66 34
Bournemouth	38 11 12 15 59 49 31
Northampton	38 13 7 18 57 62 33
Torquay	38 12 9 17 69 91 33
Bristol R.	38 13 7 18 62 84 33
Clapton O.	37 11 10 16 71 74 32
Mansfield	38 10 9 19 67 98 29
Gillingham	38 9 7 23 65 70 25
Thames	38 6 9 23 47 99 21

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

There were a few enquiries for some selected stocks, but otherwise the market ruled quiet.

Sales.

Benguet Explorations 29 cents.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.
Star Ferries \$91.
Hongkong Electric \$74 1/2.

Buyers.

Union Insurance \$475.
Benguet \$134.
Docks \$29 1/2.

Providents (Old) \$485.
Providents (New) \$24.
Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$13 1/2.

Hongkong Realty \$11.60.
Chinese Estates \$95.
Benguet Explorations 29 cents.

Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.
Hongkong Trans \$21 1/2.
Star Ferries \$90 1/2.

Hongkong Electric \$74.
Telephones (P.P.) \$24.60.
Sinceres \$10 1/2.

Amusement \$23.
Constructions (New) \$185.
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Sellers.

Union Insurance \$480.
International Assoc. Tls. 4.
Hongkong Electric \$74 1/2.

S. C. Enterprises \$10.

SHAMEEN NOTES.

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS.

Shameen, Apr. 13. A delightful organ recital was held at the Shameen Christ Church on Tuesday, being the third of a series held in aid of the Church Repair Fund. During the short interval in the programme the very satisfactory sum of \$170 was collected.

The soloist for the evening was Mr. A. Hoffmeister, whose rendering of "Star of Eve" from "Tannhauser" was particularly fine, his rich baritone admirably suiting the acoustic properties of the Church. Mr. V. P. Waters was at the organ, and he rendered an interesting selection of pieces. The quartet "God so loved the world" was sung by members of the Church choir. The following was the programme:

In Nomine Domini Macdowell.
Hercules Faulkes.
Hallelujah Hummel.
Melodie "To a water Lily" Macdowell.
Quartet "God So Loved the World" Stainer.
Intermezzo Richter.
Epilogue Rheinberger.
Hymne Celeste Grey.
Star of Eve (from Tannhauser) Wagner.
Moment Triste Reikoff.
Prelude in G Major Bach.

Personalities.

Mr. Otto Plate, a popular member of the German community, left to-day on home leave. Mr. Plate has for some years past been in charge of the export department of Messrs. Reuter, Brockelmann and Co.

Farewell was also bid to Mr. and Mrs. Borisoff, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, who are proceeding on transfer to Shanghai. Mr. Borisoff will be remembered for the important part played by him in the recent reorganization of the office routine and the classification of imports into Canton.

Amateur Theatricals.

On Saturday, the Canton Amateur Theatrical Society presented three short plays at the Canton Club Theatre. The first "Post Mortem," a comedy in one act by Charles Devine, was produced and presented by the American community with the following cast: Mr. Richard Barker, Horace Smith; Mrs. Richard Barker, Gladys Lee; Jimmy (a burglar) H. G. J. McNeary; Al (his pal) G. Harvey Biggs. The story is written round a post-mortem discussion after a game of bridge. The play was very well acted and every praise is due to all concerned.

The second, "A Few Essentials," a farce in one act by Roland Portwee, was presented by: Margaret (a wife), Una J. C. Hill; Lennox (her husband), S. M. Carlisle; Joyce (a maid), Phroso Lammert; Parlous (a valet), J. P. Macdermott. Produced by Betty Longworth, the play was extremely well acted and the principals and producer are to be congratulated on a very finished performance.

The third play was "Goulash," a farce in one act by Claude Radcliffe, with the following cast: Hugh Pemberton, L. E. Wood; Ruth Pemberton, Edna M. Crick-shank; Lady Quail, Una J. C. Hill; Pearson (the parolnmaid), Ann Gillett; Mrs. Flood, Margaret Macdermott; Bob Simmons (Pearson's young man), William G. Gerrard; Wellington Wombat, M. P. Loftus-Paton. Produced by Una J. C. Hill, this was by far the best of the three plays presented and was very well received. The whole cast was good and very aptly chosen. V. Loftus-Paton was perhaps the outstanding character, while Una J. C. Hill as the elderly Lady Quail gave further proof of her versatility and histrionic ability and is to be congratulated on her production.—Our Own Correspondent.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treath and Co.

London, Terminals.
August 1932 4 5/8 up 3/4d.
December 1932 4 9/8 up 3/4d.
March 1933 5 1/8 up 3/4d.
May 1933 5 3/8 up 1 1/2d.
Buyers at above prices, sellers asking 1/4d.-1/2d. more.

New York Terminals.
May 1932 60 down 1 pt.
July 1932 68 no change.
September 1932 73 down 1 pt.
December 1932 80 down 1 pt.
March 1933 88 no change.

To-morrow, Friday, is being observed as Pound Day at the Allico Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, Bonham Road. The hospitals will be open for inspection, and for the reception of gifts from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

INCOME TAX OF NEW K.C.s.

THEIR PROFESSION STILL THE SAME.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt decided in the King's Bench Division that a barrister does not set up a new profession when he becomes a King's Counsel.

Mr. Groom Johnson and Mr. Bruce Thomas had contended that when they became K.C.s they began, so far as their assessment for income tax was concerned, a new and different profession.

This was upheld by the income tax commissioners, and the Crown appealed. The Attorney-General argued that there were not two professions, one of junior barrister and the other of King's Counsel, and that to be appointed a K.C. was to attain a dignity or rank within the profession.

He agreed that a new status was acquired, but he denied that there was any alteration of profession. The Silk Gown.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt upheld the Crown's contention and allowed the appeal, with costs. Incidentally he mentioned that originally a K.C. held an office, and until recently he had a salary, as retained for the Crown. He could not appear against the Crown without a licence.

That was now obsolete, and what was done was that the Sovereign conferred a titular on the barristers concerned. That was recognised in the courts by giving them precedence, a seat within the Bar and a silk gown.

THE NEW STYLE OF BIOGRAPHY.

"MR. LYTTON STRACHEY THE PRIME ARTIST."

Professor George Gordon, president of Magdalen College, Oxford, who broadcast a national lecture on the "Art and Ethics of Biography," said that in the last few years a new style of biography had caused more earnest thinking and more wholesome anger than any other form of literature. The prince and leader of that race was, he said, the late Mr. Lytton Strachey.

Beyond comparison he is the prime artist and innovator. His great weakness, however, was his lack of religion. He had neither God nor heroes. The gain in irony is immense, the gain in truth is more doubtful.

Professor Gordon discussed how Strachey was indebted to the style of the late Sir Edmund Gosse. "Without any doubt I now place him," he said, "among Strachey's ancestors."

Herr Emil Ludwig he described as "the somewhat masculine Strachey of Germany," and said that he was always seeking the problem of the soul, sometimes at the expense of literature. "Soon we shall have biography specialists," he added. "Ludwig calls himself one now. When that point is reached the game for me is lost."

SHORTS ON THE COURTS?

The Lawn Tennis Association and the All-England Club at Wimbledon seem entitled to feel annoyed at the talk of what is described as "dress reform" at this year's lawn tennis championship.

An association called the Men's Dress Reform Party is sending a circular letter to famous players urging the wearing of shorts for men and women.

Shorts will never be popular with men players because trousers cover physical imperfections.

As for the women the question can be left to their common sense. American and French women tennis players do not approve of shorts. The following opinions are quoted by Reuters's San Francisco and Paris correspondents:

Mrs. Helen Wills-Moody.—Shorts are very ugly.

Miss Helen Jacobs.—"Tennis would look like a burlesque if women wore shorts."

Mlle. Lella Claude-Anet.—"Oh no! Impossible!"

Henri Cochet.—Does not stock women's shorts at his Paris sports shop.

BASEBALL.

ANOTHER WIN FOR WASHINGTON.

New York, Apr. 13. The results of baseball games played to-day follow:

National League.	
Cincinnati	2 Chicago 3
St. Louis	9 Pittsburgh 8
American League.	
Chicago	7 St. Louis 6
Detroit	5 Cleveland 6
Boston	6 Washington 7

—Reuters.

CANDID WIVES ARE BEST WIVES.

GOVERNMENT AS ERRING HUSBAND.

Lady Astor, Tory member for Plymouth, appeared in the House of Commons in the part of the perfect wife—the wife who tells her husband unpleasant truths for his own good. The role of the erring husband was filled by the Government.

Lady Astor was led to play her part by what she considers the mistaken policy of the Government in forcing the bread-eater to pay a subsidy of about £6,000,000 a year to the wheat farmer.

Lord Wolmer (Con., Aldershot) had also annoyed her by saying that it was all very well for a millionaire (Lord Astor, who recently criticised the Government's policy in a book) to write to the papers telling farmers how to invest their capital when they had no capital to invest.

Must Be Temporary.

So Lady Astor made remarks of this kind:

This is not a question of what millionaires are doing with their money. It is a question of what the Government are doing with the people's money.

This is a dolt, and we want to be perfectly certain that it is a temporary dolt.

The Government had better go slow on dols. It was attachment to a permanent dolt that drove Labour members out of this House.

The dolt to the best sugar farmers cost £8,000,000 last year. Now the Government propose another dolt of £6,000,000 to the wheat farmers.

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal Scottish Secretary) spoke of the wheat dolt as a temporary lifebuoy. Let the Government take care that it is not a life loser for them!

She paused a moment, and then said, "I believe in the National Government."

A Tory member: "No one would think it."

Lady Astor: "The best kind of wife is the wife who tells her husband the truth. I'm telling the Government the truth." (Liberal and Labour cheers.)

Hard to Please.

These further home-truths followed:

"The Government cannot go on paying these beet sugar and wheat subsidies indefinitely."

The public are not willing to help indefinitely an industry that cannot stand on its own legs.

The Government think their policy will please the farmer. If they do, they will do more than the Creator has ever done.

We know quite well that the money for this subsidy is not coming from Heaven or the stars or the pockets of the people who buy bread.

Labour members cried: "Come over here." But Lady Astor retorted: "No, I will not. I would not be seen dead with you."

She warned the Government of what might be the consequence of their policy at the next General Election, and added: "It is because I have never seen a House with so many promising young men in it—(loud laughter)—that I give this warning."

One of these promising young men, Lt-Commander P. G. Agnew (Con., Cambridge) warmly supported Lady Astor's amendment to the Wheat Bill limiting the subsidy to one year, but it was resisted by Sir John Gilmour (Minister of Agriculture) on the ground that the farmers must have certainty for at least three years, and defeated by 305 votes to 54.

No pledge was given by Sir John that the subsidy would end in three years. All he would say was that a Committee would be set up then to go into the question of the guaranteed price.

DARTMOOR.

OFFENDERS SPARED THE "CAT".

None of the 30 Dartmoor convicts who were tried by the visiting justices for offences during the recent disturbances was ordered corporal punishment.

This was revealed by Sir Herbert Samuel, the Home Secretary, in the House of Commons recently.

Sir Herbert said effect had been given to the punishment which required confirmation was corporal punishment, and in this instance none was ordered.

Visiting justices have power to order the following maximum sentences (which may be combined): 14 days' close confinement; 15 days' bread and water diet for three-day periods, alternating with three days' ordinary diet; forfeiture of privileges or of remission of sentence for 23 days; in cases of mutiny or violence to a prison officer the committee may award up to 36 lashes with the "cat" or the birch, subject to Home Office confirmation.

RADIO BROADCAST

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF RECORDED MUSIC.

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6.00-8.00 p.m.

European programme of Victor and H. M. V. records.

6.00-6.20 p.m. Children's Concert.

Songs—When We Were Very Young—The King's Breakfast (Fraser-Simpson-Milne).

Songs—Now We Are Six—(a) The Engineer (b) Wind in the Hill (Fraser-Simpson-Milne). B2697.

Mimi Crawford (Soprano). B2697.

Dialogue—The Fairy Letter Box (Grey).

Dialogue—Rupert the Ridiculous Rabbit (Grey).

B. Grey, P. Swinerton, B. Glennie and D. Mather. B2699.

Songs—(a) Halfway Down (b) Hoppy (c) Growing Up (Milne-Simpson).

Songs—(a) Happiness (b) Missing (c) In the Fashion (Milne-Fraser-Simpson).

George Baker (Baritone). B2220.

6.20-6.45 p.m. Variety.

Orchestral—Delishious.

Nat Shilkret and the Victor Orchestra. 22902.

Organ Solo—S Wonderful.

Edward O'Henry. B2969.

Orchestral—Who's Your Little Who-Zis?

Victor Arden-Phil Ohman and Their Orchestra. 22893.

Song—The Girl is You and the Boy is Me.

Melville Gidson (Baritone). B2574.

Orchestral—Tones of Not-So-Long-Ago-1921.

Orchestral—Tones of Not-So-Long-Ago-1922.

New Maxfarr Orchestra. B3044.

Orchestral—How Long Will It Last?

Leo Reisman and His Orch. 22910.

7.00 p.m.

(Stock quotations, mail notice, etc.).

6.45-7.10 p.m. Orchestral.

Carmen Suite—March of the Smugglers (Bizet).

Carmen Suite—Soldiers Changing the Guard (Bizet).

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski. 6874.

The Gipsy Princess—Potpourri (Kalmann).

Ferdie Kaufmann and His Orchestra. B2698.

Rienzi—Overture (Wagner).

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski. 6824.

7.10-8.00 p.m. A Concert.

Piano Solo—Nocturne A Raguze (Schelling).

Ignace Jan Paderewski. 6700.

Song—Calm at the Night (Bohne).

Song—Serenade (Schubert).

Louise Homer (Contralto). 6703.

Violoncello Solo—Die Meistersinger-Prize Song (Wagner-Wilhelm).

Violoncello Solo—Tannhauser-The Evening Star (Wagner).

Paulo Casals. 6620.

Chorus—Eton Bunting Song (Kaps).

Eton College Musical Society.

Vocal Trio—When the Cock Begins to Crow (Purcell).

Three Etonians. B2774.

Piano Solo—A la bien Aimee (Schutt).

Piano Solo—Waltz in E-flat (Durand).

Harold Bauer. 6508.

Song—The Lavender Seller (Breville-Smith).

Song—Vienna, City of my Dreams (Siczynski).

Derek Oldham (Tenor). B3963.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.33 p.m. Close Down.

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"THOUSANDS STARVE IN AUSTRALIA."

REMARKABLE STORY.

A remarkable story was told at Thames Police Court when five young men were charged with stowing away on a British steamship from Australia.

Mr. Peregrine (prosecuting counsel) said that the men went out under an emigration scheme, and he was informed that there were thousands of such in Australia. Many of them took all sorts of risks to get on board a ship.

There was another ship due that night, he said, with a "cargo" of stowaways and another with stowaways on board was nearing this country.

"It is a most distressing state of affairs," he said, "when men have to go to such lengths to get home. Thousands of them are living in camps and hovels and are absolutely starving."

He added that one man, had made 20 attempts to stow away.



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DRAW FOR FOURSOME KNOCK OUT COMPETITION.

The draw has been made for the Foursome (two balls) knock out competition to be played over 18 holes at Happy Valley, and resulted as follows:

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Byes.

A. E. Clarke and A. G. Ursell; A. Leach and W. R. Vallance; I. R. Andrews and J. D. Kinnaird; J. B. Lee and A. C. Braine-Hartnell.

YESTERDAY'S SOCCER.

MATCHES IN THE LOCAL LEAGUES.

Yesterday's Hongkong League football results at a glance:

Division I: H.K. Police 0 H.K.F.C. 0

Division II: R.A.O.C. 0 12th Bty. 0

The playing pitch was under water in midfield, but two League games were contested on the H.K.F.C. ground. Owing to the late arrival of the Gunners, the senior game was played in semi-darkness the final whistle sounding a couple of minutes before 7 o'clock.

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

KOWLOON C.C. PLAYERS AGAINST H.K.C.C.

The Kowloon C.C. in their match against the Hongkong C.C. on Saturday will be as follows: J. C. Lyall, F. Goodwin, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, S. A. E. Mackay, P. Madar, G. C. Burnett, W. C. Hung, F. E. Lawrence, F. S. W. Smith and J. Hunter.

FOOTBALL MEETING.

SMALL SOUVENIRS TO BE AWARDED PLAYERS.

At a meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council last evening, it was decided to present small shields and cups to the winners and runners-up in the Shield and League competitions.

Several views were put forward when the matter came up for discussion. It was suggested by Capt. Hayward that, in view of the small gate receipts during the past season, no awards be made, but on a proposition by Mr. T. G. Stokes that the winning team be presented with a replica of the Shield and League trophies, Capt. Hayward withdrew his motion.

It was finally decided that souvenirs be awarded but of a much smaller size than last year.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. R. K. Dunne in the absence of Mr. J. Ormiston who is indisposed.

LOCAL SOCCER.

FORTHCOMING LEAGUE MATCHES.

The following games in the League will be played on Saturday:

Second Division.

Argylls v. R.A.C.C.—Chatham Rd. ground; kick-off at 4.30 p.m. sharp; referee, A. B. Lait.

Third Division.

R.A.F. v. Radio. Recreation ground, 3 p.m.; referee, Mr. Gomes.

S.A.W.B. v. Recreation. Recreation ground, 4.30 p.m.; referee, W. Cull.

On Wednesday, in the Third Division, R.A.F. meet S.A.W.B. on the Recreation ground, at 4.30 p.m.; referee, W. G. Neworthy.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club 2nd XI against the South Wales Borderers on the Club Ground on Monday at 5.15 p.m.: E. S. Moses, L. F. Nicholson, L. A. R. Duncan, H. J. D. Lowe, E. G. S. Dale, J. E. Potter, S. J. H. Fox, S. Hill, W. E. Nowers, W. E. Williams and R. D. Kilbee.



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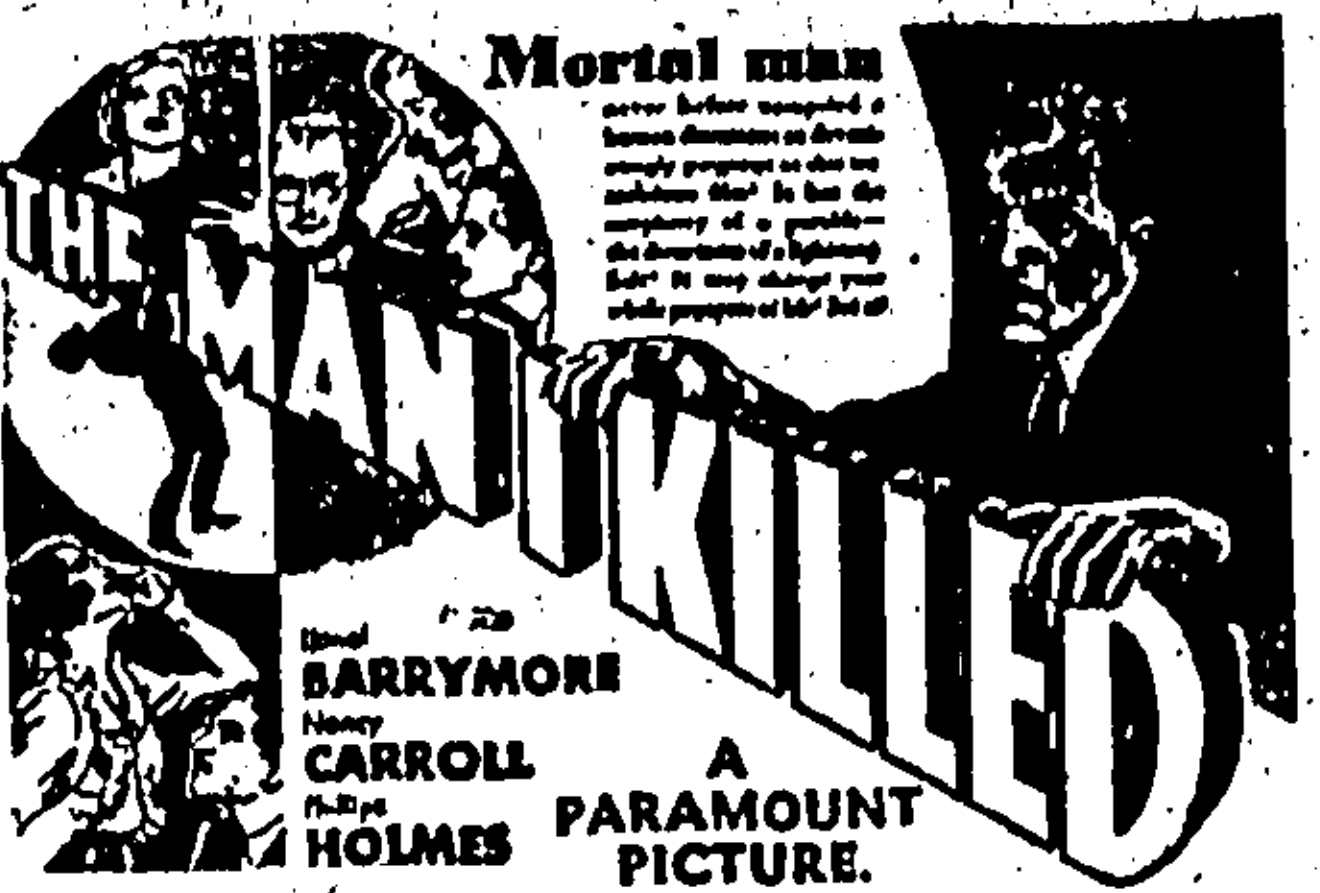
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PARTNERSHIP CASE.

The case in which a dispute between brothers over an alleged partnership involving a sum of \$89,487.68 has been engaging the attention of the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) in the Supreme Court, concluded yesterday morning when judgment was reserved.

There are three plaintiffs, Hung Yuk-sau, Hung Kung-cheong and Hung Yu-fai, alias Hung Shau-hing, all of No. 24, Ki Kow Lane, Amoy, at present staying at the Empress Hotel, Nos. 159-160, Connaught Road Central. Defendant is Hung Hin (or Huen)-chung, No. 12, Lung Tau Street, Kulangsu, Amoy, now living at the Great Eastern Hotel, No. 112, Connaught Road Central.

The Claim.

Plaintiffs claim a declaration that the Kai Sui Firm, or the Hung Kai Sui Firm, of Tai Sze Hong, Amoy, is a partnership of Hung Yuk-sau and other plaintiffs and defendant. For a declaration that the sum of \$89,487.68, deposited by the Kai Sui Firm with the Chui Tak Loong Firm, No. 26, Des Voeux Road West, and paid into Court to the credit of Original Jurisdiction action No. 237 of 1930, is the money of the parties and does not belong to defendant personally.

Plaintiffs further claim an injunction to restrain defendant from taking the above mentioned sum, pending the hearing of the action or further order of the Court. For an order that the money is to be paid out to plaintiffs and defendant in equal shares, such other relief as the Court may deem just, and costs.

Defence.

For the defence, it is denied that the Kai Sui Firm is, or ever was a family firm, and that plaintiffs or any of them were, at any time, partners of the firm. Defendant declares that he founded the firm himself and has always been the sole proprietor.

Defendant further states that the sums of money referred to in the statement of claim belong to him and that plaintiffs have no right or title to any part of it at all. In addition, says defendant, plaintiffs' claims are barred by the Limitation Acts and by the Mercantile Law Amendment Ordinance, 1864.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, together with Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, instructed by Messrs. Woo and Nash, is for plaintiffs, while Mr. Eldon, Potter, K.C., together with Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Russ and Company, is for the defendant.

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(Continued from Page 3.)

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"Oh, grand," she murmured. Even in the midst of her pleasure she wondered why he did not say anything more definite.

She felt a little twinge of dismay at the thought he knew where to find her, if he never returned she must remain silent. How did she know how many girls he had laughed with just as he had laughed with her?

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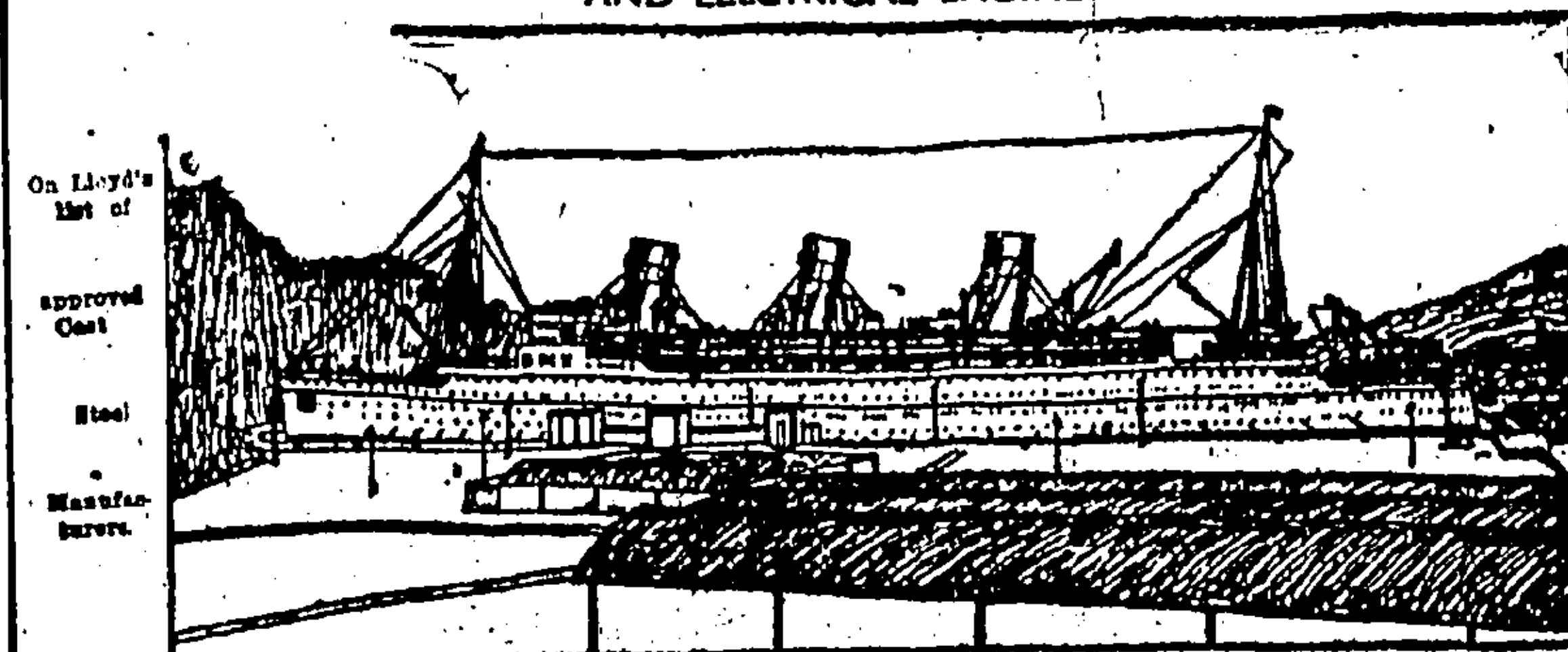
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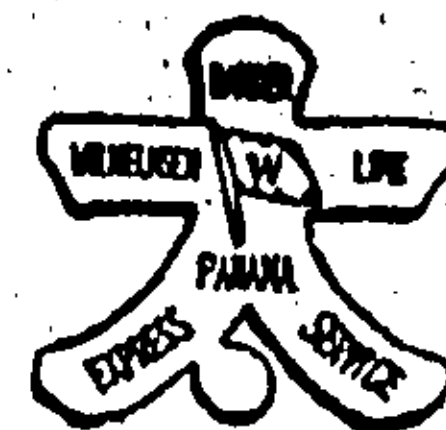
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This remote area straddling the Arctic circle is inaccessible for three months in the year except by air, and only aeroplane prospecting by a man named Gilbert Labline made its discovery possible.

Madame Curie first introduced pitchblende as a source of radium to the world, and the Great Bear Lake deposits are stated to be ten times greater than those she developed in Austria.

An ounce of gold is worth approximately £4; a gram of radium is worth £12,000. Gold ore which will average £3 to the ton is considered high grade; some of the Great Bear pitchblende deposits average £1,400 to the ton.

Great Bear lies 1,300 miles north of Edmonton, Alberta, by water route, or 850 miles by air from Waterways, Alberta, the take-off base for the Arctic Ocean air mail; as well as the landing point for freight bound down the Mackenzie River.

Risky Route. The passenger and freight planes serving the newly-discovered mineral area do not follow the Mackenzie, but take a shorter and more risky route, flying due north along an arm of Great Slave Lake.

The official report by the Department of Mines, Ottawa, on the Great Bear deposits, dated October, 1931, states:

"There is every evidence that there exists at Labline Point—an extensive and fairly closely-spaced pitchblende vein system that can readily be exploited by underground development. From a small surface pit sunk to a depth of 12 feet at the original discovery point, eight tons of high-grade ore were taken.

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A Press representative was recently shown, in the Yarrow tank of the Laboratory, the unusual spectacle of a ship model being towed through the water with its funnels downwards, and nothing visible above the surface except a flat "dummy" bottom.

This, it was explained, was the method by which the Laboratory had been able, for the first time, to measure accurately the wind resistance of superstructures, which will make suggestions which will render possible substantial economies in the design of cargo vessels and passenger liners.

The methods has been compared with the actual performance in a head wind, and has been shown to give approximate agreement with observed results.

Without radical alteration in the various superstructures, it has been shown that for an oil-tanker of modern design a saving of 420 horse-power could be effected against a 40-knot wind. This would be equivalent to a daily saving of 4 tons of oil, or more than £400 on a three weeks' voyage. If alternative designs can be developed which are otherwise satisfactory, it is anticipated that substantially greater benefit could be effected.

Better Steering.

Results in the case of a famous Atlantic liner, although proportionately less, proved of even greater financial significance. It is estimated that some 2,000 h.p. could be saved, representing about 20 tons of oil a day, or more than £500 on a single voyage.

Other experiments, which have been recently undertaken, promise still further economies, in the case of certain vessels, from the adjustment of the superstructure to give good steering. In the tanker already mentioned it was found that a "wobble" of 15 degrees on either side of a direct course was necessary to hold the ship straight.

Good steering, it has been found, depends on how far back on the ship the centre of wind resistance is placed, just as an arrow flies straight because the principal wind resistance is in its tail. Exact figures of fuel economy are not yet available, but it is recognised by ship captains that poor steering substantially reduces the way of a ship, and proportionately adds to fuel consumption.

WHITE MAN IN THE
JUNGLE."CONVINCED HE IS MY
HUSBAND."

Genova, Mar. 18.
Mrs. Fawcett, the wife of Colonel Fawcett, the British explorer who has been lost in the jungle of Brazil since 1925, told me to-day that she is now convinced that her husband has been found.

Her confidence is based on several facts in the following cable from the *News-Chronicle* New York Correspondent, which I read over to her:

Fresh hope that Colonel Fawcett is still alive was raised here to-day by a circumstantial report given to the British Consul at Sao Paulo by Stephen Rattin, a trapper, who is making one of his periodic returns from the jungle to civilisation.

He told the Consul "I came to an Indian encampment, six weeks' journey from Sao Paulo, between the rivers Xingue and Madeira. A white man dressed in skins and wearing a long beard approached me, and told me his name was Fawcett and asked that went I got back I should report to you and to someone named Pagot."

The Consul, Mr. Arthur Abbott, after closely questioning Rattin, said he had every confidence in his story.

Rattin described the white man (who he said was being held captive) as being about 60 years of age, 6ft. in height and powerfully built.

Clue of Two Names. Mrs. Fawcett told me that her husband, although 67, looks younger. He is 6ft. in height, and (as Rattin said) "powerfully built."

The "Pagot" referred to would be Sir Ralph Pagot, a former British Ambassador to Brazil, who was a great friend of Colonel Fawcett. The Consul at Sao Paulo is also a friend of Colonel Fawcett, and Mrs. Fawcett told me, the fact that Rattin mentioned these names substantiates his story.

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A partial explanation of the recent publication in his name of a Royalist manifesto was given by King Alfonso in an interview on board the steamer Champanillon, from which he landed at Marseille yesterday.

Without denying that he had knowledge beforehand of the contents of the manifesto, King Alfonso let it be conceded that its publication at Madrid at that moment was the work of a group of his supporters on their own initiative. He added that he only knew of the manifesto when he read the news in the paper.

If the text of the declaration was fully approved by King Alfonso the principal reason for denying that he had authorised its appearance must have been his anxiety not to embarrass the French authorities.

Condition of Hospitality. The condition under which hospitality is accorded to political exiles is that they should not use the country of their residence as a base for political action against their own country.

King Alfonso is not exempt from the unwritten rule, and the position would be exceedingly difficult if, as the result of his adherence, the Spanish Government made representations to France. It is essential therefore that, however strongly he approves such action, he must remain officially neutral.

King Alfonso said that he had thoroughly enjoyed his recent travels, and told an amusing story of his experience at the German frontier. A particularly officious Customs officer had been going through his things with exasperating thoroughness, and after enduring it with patience for ten minutes, King Alfonso could no longer contain himself.

"Do you know who I am?" he cried with royal wrath, and in bad German, "I am an Admiral of the Fleet in your Navy, a General in your Army, a Colonel of your Uhlans and your Guards, and, finally, I am a King. So you had better look out for yourself!"

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ARMISTICE FAILURE.

JAPANESE AND LEAGUE.

OFFICIAL CHINESE STATEMENT.

("Telegraph" Special).

Shanghai, Apr. 14.
The suspension of the armistice negotiations is the subject of an official statement issued to-day by the Shanghai Office of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

The statement declares that everything now depends upon developments at Geneva, the Chinese delegation being unable to discuss the matter further until the League Council have made some move in the matter.

Japanese Charges.

The Japanese charge that the Chinese delegation is trying to avoid its responsibilities by referring the matter to the League of Nations, is branded as groundless.

"The facts are too plain," the statement declares, "for the world to conclude who is really responsible for the suspension of the conference."

On the Fronts.

Meanwhile, the breakdown has had no important result other than the resumption of student activity which might easily prove dangerous. The troops of both sides are reported to be working steadily putting new touches to their defences, but both sides have been careful to refrain from any hostile act.

It is believed that Sir Miles Lampson, who played an important part behind the scenes at the recent discussions, several times preventing a collapse, failing only at the last ditch, is leaving for Peking shortly.

Gloomy Predictions.

It is stated that Sir Miles will return immediately if the Conference is resumed but the fact that he has decided to leave is generally interpreted as a lack of belief in the likelihood of an early resumption.

It is reasoned that the League Council will find it extremely difficult to lay down principles which will satisfy both parties to the extent of persuading them to renew conversations.—*Reuter.*

Prepared for Worst.

Shanghai, Apr. 14.
Reports from Nanking suggest that the Government is taking steps to reinforce the troops in the Shanghai area and laying in large stores of food-stuffs and ammunition at Soochow, lest there should be a resumption of hostilities.

General Cheung Wai-chang, the Canton aviator, former head of the Aviation Administration in Nanking, arrives in Shanghai to-day. *Ren-sha.*

WIGHTMAN CUP TENNIS.

MRS. WILLS-MOODY LEADING U.S.

London, Apr. 13.
The English Lawn Tennis Association has received a cable from the American L. T. A. stating that the team to represent the United States against Great Britain in the Wightman Cup Contest at Wimbledon has been selected.

Mrs. Wills-Moody will make the journey, her companions being Mrs. Harper, Miss Jacobs, and Miss Sarah Palfrey.

The contest is being played on June 10 and 11.—*Reuter.*

M.P.'S DELEGATION TO BERMUDA.

London, Apr. 13.
Members of the United Kingdom branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association, joining the Parliamentary delegation now at Bermuda, headed by Lord Askwith, will leave London to-morrow. *British Wireless.*

NAZIS

How Many Feet Has a Monkey?

THREE GUESSES PERMITTED.

CUSTOMS SOLUTION.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Apr. 13.

Does a monkey lay claim to the possession of feet, and if so, how many?

This rather interesting biological question was presented, with rather humorous results, to the Customs authorities when six monkeys arrived at Folkestone shortly after the new tariff was imposed.

The problem has since been the subject of correspondence and deep thinking in several places.

The Southern Railway, on behalf of the consignee, submitted that monkeys were quadrupeds and that they were for that reason exempt from duty.

Port Contention.

The Port Customs, on the other hand, decided that monkeys were bipeds, contending that they have two hands and two feet and were liable for duty.

The problem has been finally solved by the Honourable Board of Customs in London which has ruled that monkeys are quadrumanous mammals, having four hands and no feet!

AIR LINERS' FINE RECORD.

2,000,000 MILES: NO MISHAPS.

London, Apr. 13.

During the past seven years, the Imperial Airways fleet operating between London and the Continent and most of the Empire air routes have flown 8,710,000 miles, carrying 210,000 passengers and approximately 8,000 tons of freight and mails.

The triple engine Armstrong Siddeley air liners on the London-Continental service have now flown more than 2,000,000 miles without any mishap resulting in injury to their passengers or crew.

In 1919, when the commercial air services began, the daily mileage was less than 500, while the new Imperial Airways liners and flyingboats cover more than 5,000 miles every day.—*British Wireless.*

DOLLAR DROPS A FARTHING.

LOWER SILVER PRICES.

Reflecting a decline in silver both in London and New York, the Hongkong dollar this morning dropped a farthing to 1s. 2 1/2 d. The local market is quiet, on the easy side. Small inter-bank business has been done at 1s. 2 7/8 d.

Silver dropped 3/16ths in London, both spot and forward. America and China were small sellers, and the market was very quiet. After the official fixing, the market ruled idle, with America a small seller at 1/16th under the quoted rates.

New York reports a drop of a quarter, with the market dull.

MENINGITIS.

FOUR NEW CASES YESTERDAY.

Four cases of meningitis, two from Victoria, one from Kowloon and one from Aberdeen, were reported to the Medical Officer of Health in the 24 hours ended at midnight.

A Kowloon case of small-pox was also reported.



Nazi storm-troops on the march, saluting their leader, Herr Adolf Hitler. The Government has issued order for the dissolution of this tremendous organisation and has indicated intention to employ ruthless methods.

TELEPHONE HOAXER ACTIVE.

FALSE CALL FOR AMBULANCE.

DANGEROUS TRICK IN KOWLOON.

It was disclosed to-day that the Kowloon Fire Brigade have again been the victims of a practical joker with a perverted sense of humour.

Twice on Tuesday they received calls for an ambulance which were subsequently discovered to be false. The first, sent in a tone of distress over the telephone, requested that an ambulance be immediately dispatched to 567, Canton Road.

The people there disclaimed need for the ambulance and registered blank astonishment on being asked if they had sent for it.

The call was traced to telephone number 67796, which led them to a coolie doss-house, where the inmates strenuously denied having sent off the message.

Later in the day, upon receipt of a second call, the ambulance-driver took his vehicle to 604, Canton Road, another hoax. An effort was then made to trace the unknown joker with the assistance of

DOUBLES TITLE.

The match between S.A. and H.D. Rumjahn and the Goldman-Fincher combination for the Open Doubles Tennis Championship will be played this afternoon, commencing at 4.15 p.m.

The Telephone Company. It was discovered that the number was not 64204, as stated by the sender of the second call, but was actually 66066, belonging to the Kwong Chi Theatre at Yaumati.

BRITISH RUM-RUNNER RANSACKED.

U.S. Coastguards on Theft Charges.

New York, Apr. 13.

The Federal Judge at Rhode Island to-day found American coastguards guilty of theft aboard the British rum-runner, *Mackinnoke*, which was seized in December last.

The crew of the vessel accused the coastguards of stealing valuable equipment, food stores, a large quantity of cigarettes and the personal effects of the seamen.

The coastguards also seized forty-three sacks of liquor. The crew made depositions regarding the thefts in Nova Scotia and these were forwarded to the United States Federal Judge, who gave his decision in the case to-day.—*Reuter.*

GOVERNMENT ACTS SWIFTLY.

HITLER'S PRIVATE ARMY TO DISAPPEAR.

SWOOPING DOWN WITH DRAMATIC SUDDENNESS UPON NAZI HEADQUARTERS ALL OVER GERMANY, THE BRUENING GOVERNMENT CARRIED OUT A REMARKABLY DARING ANTI-HITLER COUP.

The Cabinet authorised a proclamation ordering the dissolution of the Nazi storm-troops and within a few hours steps had been taken to give effect to the decree in all parts of Germany, the swiftness of the action suggesting that the coup had been well planned for some time. The blow apparently came so unexpectedly to the Hitlerites that only minor disturbances have occurred, but—

GERMAN CABINET'S DECREE.

Berlin, Apr. 13.

The Government took the whole of Germany by surprise and struck a heavy blow against Herr Hitler and the Nazis, by a Proclamation ordering the dissolution of Hitler's private army, the Nazi storm-troops.

The order for their suppression was made by virtue of the article of the Constitution empowering the President to take measures to restore order, if necessary by force of arms, if public safety is endangered.

The Nazis almost everywhere were taken by surprise by the speed of the execution of the anti-Nazi decree. Resistance was offered in a few places, however.

At Hamburg, for example, the police found the Nazi headquarters filled with tear-gas and had to smash the windows and wait for some time before they could enter. Five arrests were made.

The Nazis allege that the Police have exceeded their competency in that they have searched and closed not only the storm-troop barracks, but the Nazis political offices.

It is stated that Nazi deputies of the Reichstag and members of the Prussian Diet have been arrested, while a considerable quantity of Nazi election material, to have been used in connexion with the forthcoming Diet elections, has been seized.—*Reuter.*

SUNDAY OPENING OF CINEMAS.

London, Apr. 13.
The Bill legalising the Sunday Opening of Cinemas was given a second reading in the House of Commons to-day, by the narrow margin of 18 votes, 235 voting for and 217 against.—*Reuter.*

It is indicated from Cologne that the Rhineland and Westphalian police are already enforcing the anti-Nazi decree, having already

HINT OF DANGER TO DR. KOO.

JAPANESE DROP WARNINGS.

NOT WANTED IN MANCHURIA.

Peking, Apr. 14.

It is reliably reported that Mr. Yoshida, the Japanese Assessor on the Lytton Commission has privately warned the Chinese Counsellor that there will be possible danger to Dr. Wellington Koo if he visits Manchuria.

The spokesman of the Japanese Delegation is reported to have called upon a representative of the Chinese Assessor's Office and expressed concern regarding Dr. Wellington Koo's proposed visit, declaring that he is likely to be exposed to personal danger.

The members of the League Commission yesterday afternoon discussed plans for spending the summer in China.—*Reuter.*

Secret Communication.

Shanghai, April 14.

New has been received that a very important question was asked by Mr. Cocks (Labour) in the House of Commons last night, inquiring regarding the nature of a Japanese communication relating to the application of the League Covenant in the Manchuria dispute.

He asked further what action the British Government contemplated regarding this communication.

Captain Anthony Eden, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that Sir John Simon was unable to state the nature of the Japanese communication which was made confidentially, or to make any statement as regards the action of the government.

Captain Eden, replying to another question, said it would be for the League Council, not the British Government, to take appropriate action if the Manchuria Government's objection to Dr. Wellington Koo's visiting Manchuria is not arranged locally.—*Reuter.*

Mission's Attitude.

London, Apr. 13.

In the Commons to-day, the Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replying to a question regarding the alleged obstacles recently set up by the Manchurian Administration to the entry of the League Commission of Inquiry and its Assessors, stated he was unaware that there were any such obstacles, except, according to Press reports, some objection on the part of the Manchurian authorities to Dr. Wellington Koo's visit.

Chairman, Lord Lytton, has already publicly announced his attitude on the matter, namely, that the Commission would go to Manchuria with Dr. Koo or not at all.

In reply to a further question, it was stated that the British Government had no news of any intention on the part of the Japanese Government to recognise the new administration in Manchuria in the immediate future. So far as was known, the Japanese attitude remained as stated on February 22nd.—*British Wireless.*

SIR JOHN SIMON.

ATTENDING AMERICAN DINNER.

London, Apr. 13.

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, is to-morrow returning to London from Geneva by air to attend the dinner of the Plioritas Daes American Society in London, at which the new United States Ambassador, Mr. Andrew Mellon, will be the principal guest.

Sir John will probably return on Friday to Geneva. His place is being temporarily taken by Lord Londonderry, who flew to Geneva to-day.—*British Wireless.*



The finish of the Grand National showing Forbra providing Sw fortunes in unexpected places.

'QUAKE PERIL PASSED.

ARGENTINE ASH FALL STOPS.

VOLCANIC SAFETY VALVE.

Buenos Aires, Apr. 13.

The steady rain of ashes at cinders from the volcanoes of the Andes has at last ceased to fall over Argentine territory, the rain having veered to the south.

It is officially declared that there have been no fatalities and no important material damage in Argentina.

One of the country's most prominent geologists now expresses the opinion that a severe earthquake is impossible, as the enormous quantity of volcanic ash thrown up represents the waste products of the volcanic safety valve, which removes the danger of violent earth tremors.

Ash Harmless.

Experts are of opinion that the volcanic ash which is spread all over the country is harmless, in fact may prove very useful in the manufacture of cement, etc.

Meanwhile, people in the affected region are calm and the railways are now working normally.—*Reuter.*

SPIRIT MEDIUM LIBEL CASE.

TALKIE-EXPERT UNIMPRESSED.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Apr. 13.

A talking-film of one of Mrs. Meaurio Morris's trance sittings was witnessed by the jurors prior to the resumption to-day of the hearing of the libel action she has brought against the *Daily Mail*.

It had been suggested that "psychic forces" broke the rope used to hold the microphone in the studio during the production of the "talkie," but a staff member expressed a much more mundane view.

He declared his opinion that it was more likely that the excessive heat of the lamp caused the rope to break.

SHANGHAI'S NEW COUNCIL.

MR. A. D. BELL ELECTED CHAIRMAN.

Shanghai, Apr. 14.

The new Shanghai Municipal Council met at noon to-day and elected Mr. Alexander Dunlop Bell as chairman, and Mr. H. B. Arnold as vice-chairman.

Mr. Bell has spent twenty-five years in China and was with Barlow and Company.

EAST AFRICA RAILWAYS.

London, Apr. 13.
The Colonial Secretary has appointed Mr. Roger Gibb to conduct investigations into railway questions in the British East African territories.—*British Wireless.*

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CONTRACT BRIDGE.

By W. E. McKenney.

Secretary, American Bridge League.

There are several systems for valuing hands at no trump, but perhaps the most popular is the pitch count system which was explained in our previous articles. An opening bid of one first hand shows a count of 13; second hand a count of 12; third hand 14, and fourth hand 15. Partner should support to two no trump with a combined count of 22, and to three no trump with a combined count of 24.

Under the straight forcing system, however, it is not advisable to open hands with one no trump that contain a biddable four-card suit, especially if the hand contains a weak doubleton. In other words, an opening bid of one no trump normally shows distributed strength and no biddable four-card suits. Four-card suits in order to be biddable must be at least as strong as ace, queen, nine, 10 or king, queen, nine, 10.

In addition to the count, a hand should contain at least two quick tricks to open with one no trump, while in suit bids you are required to hold two and one-half quick tricks.

Original Suit Bids of One.

Original suit bids of one are made when holding at least a biddable four-card suit and two and one-half high card tricks. All writers have their favourite high card trick tables, but the simplest one advocated by the writer is as follows:

A K of same suit	2
A Q J of same suit	1½
A of same suit	1
K Q of same suit	1
K of same suit	½
Q J of same suit	½

(Only one Q J may be counted in a hand.)

A Q (if bid) 1½
A Q (if not bid) 1

You will notice that the last three valuations have restrictions. Only one Q J must be counted in a hand as one-half quick trick. When holding a hand containing two Q J's, the other is too susceptible to squeezes when being played at a suit declaration, but on practically every hand that you would hold two and one-half quick tricks, if both Q J's were counted, you would have an original no trump bid. Q J's should not be counted in suit bids if the hand does not contain an ace, but they must be counted in a no trump hand.

You will also notice that the writer advocates an A Q as only one trick unless the suit is bid. If you hold a biddable suit headed by A Q and a side trick, you may count your A Q as one and one-half, or if your partner bids a suit and you hold A Q in that suit, you may value it as two tricks. While if it was bid by your left-hand opponent, it should be counted as only one trick. If your right-hand opponent bid a suit in which you held the A Q, you would count that as two tricks.

The reason for not valuing an A Q when not bid as one and one-half quick tricks, is because so many times you may be called upon to make the opening lead and as we do not like to lead away from an A Q, sometimes an opening lead very detrimental to the hand is made in an endeavour to protect the A Q suit.

While opening bids of one are required to hold two and one-half high card tricks as a minimum, there are many hands containing as high as five to five and one-half quick tricks that must be opened with one due to a bad distribution. Opening bids of one should not be passed by partner if his hand contains at least one and one-half quick tricks. This feature will be explained in our next article.

LADIES' NIGHT AT THE Y.M.C.A.

ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME ARRANGED.

The last of a series of entertainments—entertainments that have proved the most popular of the different forms of recreation instituted some years ago by the Y.M.C.A.—takes place this evening in the new theatre lounge of the Institute at Kowloon.

These entertainments, known as "Ladies' Nights" have permitted Y.M.C.A. Members to entertain their lady friends to dinner on the premises, the dinner usually followed by some novel recreation—a concert, a dramatic evening, or other form of diversion.

The programme arranged for this evening is as usual of very high standard, comprised of vocal and instrumental items by local artists and two one-act plays, the one a comedy, the other a drama, by the Y.M.C.A. Dramatic Players. The many patrons of these special evenings can look forward to a veritable treat, for it will be remembered that the Dramatic Players were extremely popular during the winter season of 1930/31 when they established themselves by producing the first plays of a series from their repertoire.

GEN. MA CHAN-SHAN.

EXPLAINS WHY HE JOINED NEW REGIME.

Shanghai, Apr. 13.
from General Ma Chan-shan explained that he temporarily joined the Manchukuo for the purpose of obtaining the true facts of the situation, by getting into contact with Manchukuo officials.

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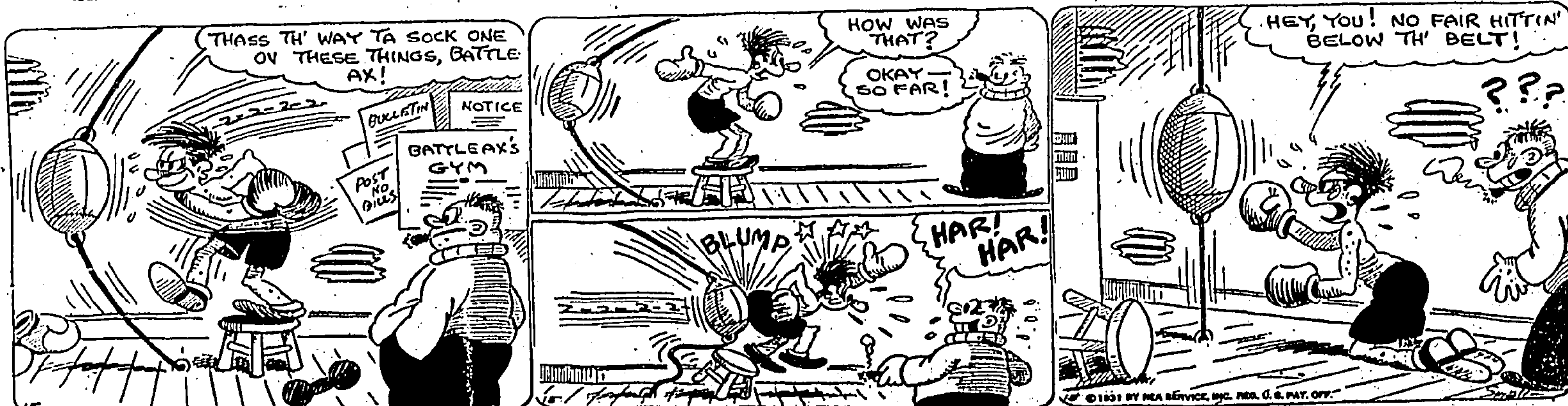
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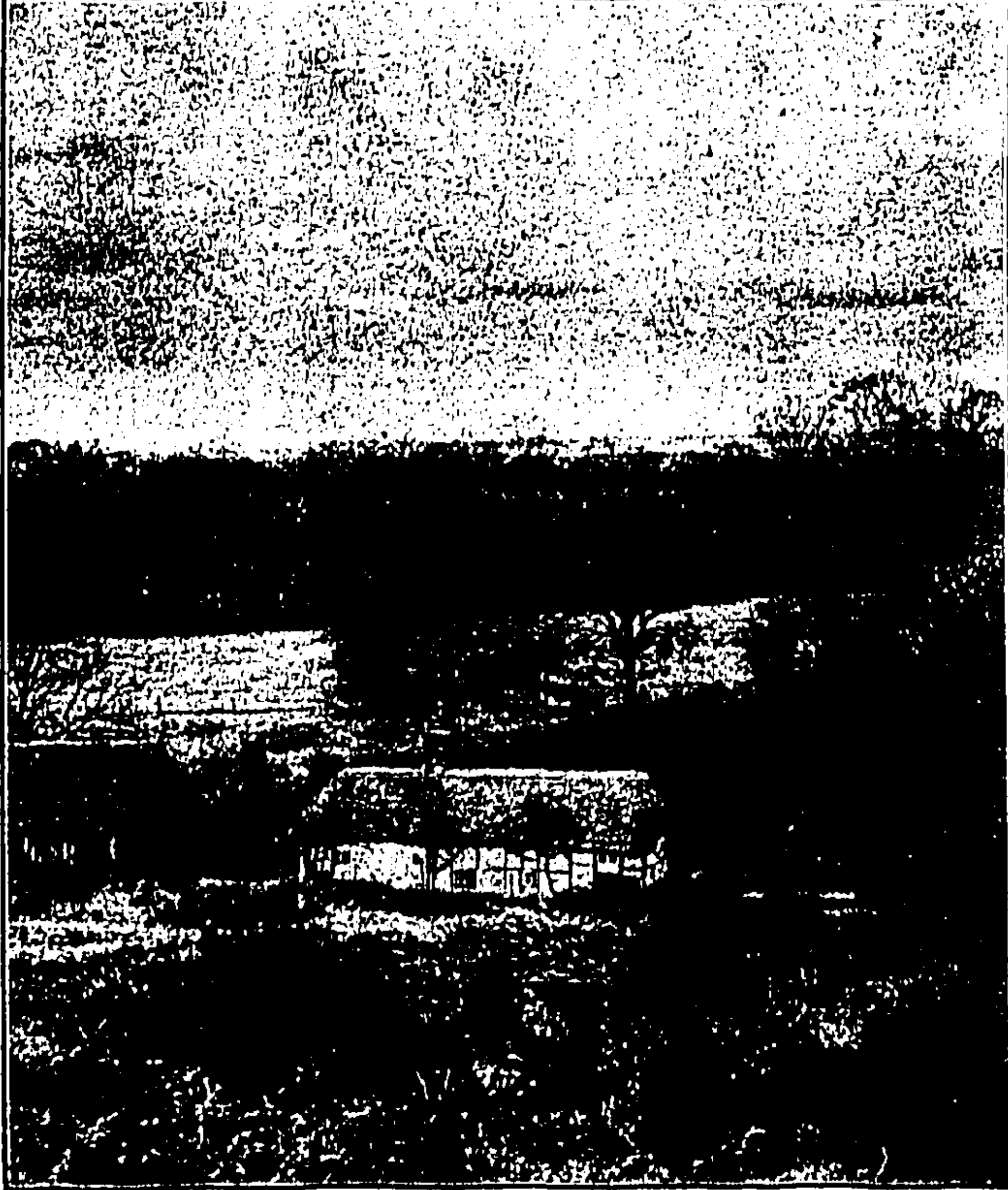
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A pair of sixteenth-century thatched cottages on Snelmore Common, near Newbury, which have been the subject of correspondence with the local district council. It is hoped that they will be saved from demolition. (Times copyright).

The dime-a-dance girl

BY JOAN CLAYTON

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

Beautiful Ellen Rossiter, a schoolgirl in Barclay's Department Store, lives with her mother, Molly Rossiter, her elder sister, Myra, and her young brother, Mike. The two girls support the family. Molly foolishly spends money saved to pay the rent. Ellen tries to get a job as a dance hall hostess at Dreamland and learns that she must have an evening dress. She has none. Steven Barclay, her employer, sees her eyeing and offers to give her a dress. Ellen proudly refuses but agrees to borrow a lovely white frock.

Ellen dines with Barclay and he drives her to Dreamland where he leaves her. Tony, another of the hostesses, befriends and advises Ellen. Ellen hates the cheapness of the dance hall, having taken a 10-cent ticket to dance with all comers. She slips a man who kisses her, Jacob Skolomon, the manager, is about to discharge her when a handsome young man asks to be introduced to her. He says his name is Larry Smith. He comes to buy tickets and while she waits for him, Ellen forgets that she hated Dreamland, forgets Barclay's kindness, forgets everything except Larry Smith.

CHAPTER VI.

Larry had bought a string of tickets, each marked "good for one dance." There were dozens. He dropped the ribbon of bright green over Ellen's bare arm so that it curled almost to the floor.

"That's for all evening," he told her. "No one else is to dance with you."

"I believe you've made a mistake," Ellen said, trying to temper the bubbling joyousness in her voice. "I think they sold you a railroad ticket to California."

"It does look like that."

Tony, gliding past, summed up the incident with approving, interested eyes. The 17-year-old plainly considered the older girl to be her protégée.

"I knew you'd be lucky, Ellen," she called over her shoulder and was gone.

"Now what did she mean?" Larry demanded.

"She meant I was lucky to find such a good—customer," Ellen advised him demurely.

"No. It's the customer who's lucky."

Their laughter rang out. Larry swept Ellen into his arms and they were caught into the emotion-laden atmosphere of the room. Boys and girls were dancing closely in the semi-darkness, cheek to cheek, heart to heart. Light frocks blurred against the darker clothes of the men; white, bare arms clutched at broad shoulders. There was no sound except the muted whine of the orchestra and the swish of dancing feet and, from outside, through the open windows, the subdued uproar of a never resting Broadway.

Boys and girls, in the artificial darkness, were snatching feverishly at a little moment of tawdry romance, lest it pass them by, snatching at a moment of forgetfulness of daily tasks while the saxophones moaned.

Ellen and Larry bumped into a couple who had stopped for a passionate embrace. Ellen felt again that she would weep. She did not know quite why. But she knew that if Larry Smith attempted to embrace her in that futile darkness something shining and young and beautiful would be gone forever. At the same time she knew that if he drew her close, close to him she could not resist.

"I don't seem to care much for this," he ventured at length, uncomfortably. And then abruptly,

with no preliminaries, he asked, "What are you doing here?"

Ellen experienced a lightness and buoyancy of spirit as though something she feared had been passed. All at once she was able to laugh at herself. What a mad fool she had become. All of her values seemed changed. So much depended to-night upon so little. She saw that Larry was watching her face as he waited for her to answer. She gestured toward a sign on the wall.

They had to dance through the crowd and to the outskirts so that he could read. His own grey eyes lighted when he read that hostesses when dancing were limited in conversation to "yes" and "no."

"Do you like me a lot?" he inquired promptly.

Ellen feared that he would discern the swift hammering of her heart. She felt the colour creeping into her face.

"Go on, tell me," he urged. "Yes or no?"

So he thought he would tease her!

"Yes," Ellen responded, but very dubiously indeed.

He looked disconcerted and then he added sheepishly. "Well that one seems to have been on me. So you think I'm taking an unfair advantage?"

"Yes!"

The second "yes" was emphatic and pointed. Their laughter rang out again.

"Well, what do you say," he suggested, "if we leave the mute dancing to those as likes it mute? I want to talk."

They were at a table and barely seated before he asked the second time. "What are you doing here?"

"Earning my living."

"Do you really mean that?" He was plainly startled. She had on the tip of her tongue a tart retort and she observed that he was studying her dress. She had forgotten Steven Barclay until then—forgot why she was at Dreamland, forgotten everything except that she was 20 years old and that life had become for her a thrilling and rose-hued miracle.

"Certainly I mean it," she replied.

There was no reason why she should explain to this young stranger how it happened that she was able to wear a Paris gown. It was impossible for her to do so. She had a passionate desire that he should know nothing of her responsibilities, of the care and fretting trouble which had shadowed her youth. She wanted only to laugh and to forget everything else. To him she must stand for gaiety, for carelessness and irresponsible fun.

He was not Steven Barclay. How did she know how quickly she might, by any hasty or misjudged attempt to precipitate him into her life, turn that eager look into the expression of boredom that she had seen before.

She did not amply her bare statement.

He was checked.

"Did you believe me," he asked after a pause, "when I told the



Seated in his little chair, with his dog under the table, little Charles Augustus Lindbergh was photographed by his proud parents on the occasion of his first birthday, as childish eyes and hands investigated the birthday cake with its one candle. Now, the child is the object of a world wide search, his parents frantically hoping that meeting the ransom demands of his kidnappers will speedily restore him, unharmed.

manager my name was Smith?"

"If you say it's Smith," Ellen observed irrelevantly, "then it must be Smith."

Her tone was clear, her eyes lucid and innocent. It was the young man's turn to flush.

"I'm afraid you won't understand," he began uncomfortably before that lucid gaze, "but anyhow I must explain. My name isn't Smith. When I said it was I hadn't decided."

"Whether or not you'd trust me with the secret," Ellen supplied smoothly.

She was not offended. Larry drew a breath of relief.

"You're being darn nice about it," he said. "Well, anyhow my name is Larry. Larry Harrowgate, age 27, occupation artist of sorts, prospects nothing!"

"I'm to take that as a warning?"

"If you want to take it that way."

They both laughed ecstatically.

"No, but seriously," he presently resumed in a voice which he tried hard to make brisk and sensible. "Did you mean what you said—out on the floor? Do you really like

me?"

"Seriously," she answered dutifully, although she still bubbled with excitement and laughter. "I do."

"Then that's that," he observed in satisfaction. "We're through with all the preliminaries. Now we can settle down and really get to know each other."

They were interrupted by a waiter demanding their order. Larry confessed to a ravenous appetite and not even Ellen's warning that the food might be bad prevented him from selecting almost everything on the bill of fare. When the waiter withdrew he began to rally her.

"What's wrong with you?" he inquired solicitously. "Are you a canary bird? I never saw a girl before who wouldn't eat on the slightest provocation."

"I didn't want to order anything," Ellen confessed in growing embarrassment, "because I got a percentage on what you pay."

"You foolish youngster! I wouldn't think you were a prostitute even if you'd ordered a diamond necklace. I couldn't have paid for it but then—you'll

have to eat half of mine."

But when the food arrived, sandwiches and cakes and a bowl of steaming chow mein, decorated with slivers of chicken, neither wanted to eat. They wanted to dance again and again, to dance forever or until they dropped from exhaustion. Like children on a holiday they skylarked about the floor. Again and again they discovered with pleased and excited exclamations how well their steps fitted. Amazing, thrilling, to change quickly from the languorous grace of the tango to the rowdy breathless complications of the outmoded Charleston—amazing to dance with someone who moved almost as you moved.

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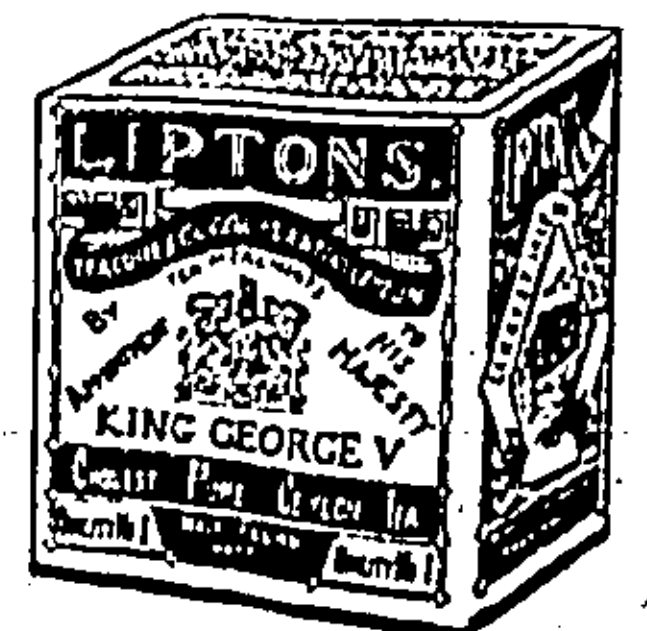
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By courtesy of the Stewards of the Fanling Hunt & Race Club, the above Race Meeting will be held at the Kwanti Race Course on

Sunday, the 17th April, 1932. First Saddle Bell at 1.45 p.m. First Race at 2.15 p.m.

Admission to Members' Enclosure will be limited to Members of This Club and Fanling Hunt & Race Club who must wear their Badges.

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Members and their friends are cordially invited to be present.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-seventh Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 19th April, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 13th day of April, to Tuesday, the 19th day of April, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1932.

IRISH DISPUTE.

LLOYD GEORGE COMES OUT BOLDLY.

London, Apr. 13. A striking declaration on the Anglo-Irish situation has been made by Mr. Lloyd George. He said he refused to believe the Irish people would perpetrate the folly of a quarrel over something which counted nothing of the essence of liberty.

Mr. de Valera, he added, could not have it both ways. "He cannot have the swag of complete independence and the substantial advantages of being inside the British Commonwealth."

Referring to the land annuities, Mr. Lloyd George said the terms given by the British Government to the Irish peasants to enable them to purchase their freeholds were very generous. The Government advanced the whole of the purchase money, and the former tenant, who had now become the owner, had to pay an annuity to meet the interest and sinking fund charges for this price. Altogether the British exchequer had advanced prior to the formation of the Irish Free State some £89,500,000 for land purchase, and had paid nearly £10,000,000 in bonuses.

The sinking fund repayments to date amounted to about £13,500,000, so that about £76,000,000 was still outstanding.—British Wire.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1552½ n.
Chartered Bank, \$11¼ n.
Mercantile Bank, \$18½ n.
East Asia, \$115 b.
Am. O. Finance Corp., \$29 n.

Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$1250 n.
Union Ins., \$475 b.
China Underwriters, \$4 b.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1,195 n.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$26 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$23 n.
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$32 n.
Union Waterboats, \$19¼ n.

Mining.
Benguet, \$13¼ b.
Kailash, \$2/6 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.10 n.
Rauba, \$38 b.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$142½ n.
Whampoa Docks, \$20¼ b.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old), \$1.85 b.
Hongkows, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers Tls. 6¼ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 88 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15 b.
Shanghai Cotton, Tls. 75 n.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11¼ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotels \$13.25 b. Cum Rts.
H. K. Hotels, Tls. \$2.60 n.
H. K. Lands, \$78 n.
Shai Lands, Tls. 25 n.
Humphreys, \$16.75 n.
Realities, \$11.60 n.
Asia Realities "A", \$160 n.
Asia Realities "B", \$30n.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$21.75 b.
Peak Tram, (old), \$15.50 n.
Star Ferries, \$90¼ b.
China Lights, \$21.25 n.
H. K. Electric, \$74 b.
Macao Electric, \$24½ n.
Telephones, \$41 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3/- n.

Industrial.
Malabons, \$21 n.
Canton Ice, \$6¼ n.
Cements (com.) \$18.40 n.
Ropes, \$15 n.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$28.60 n.
Watsons, \$16 n.
Watsons Rights, 3½ n.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$5.30 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 n.
Sinceres, \$16¼ b.
Powells, \$3.65 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$23 b.
Entertainments (old) \$14.50 n.
Constructions (old) \$5.75 n.
Constructions (new), \$1.85 b.
S. C. Enterprises \$10 n.
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Fifty Years' Defence of Criminals.

CLARENCE DARROW, defence counsel in the Fortescue Trial in Honolulu, whose autobiography has just been published in the Marshall Hall of America. For nearly fifty years he has practised law in the criminal courts, not only of Chicago, his headquarters, but in cities throughout the Continent.

Friend of the "submerged tenth," he linked himself with the American trade unionists in their fight with the corporations and first came into prominence when he defended the dynamiters of the West. He was not in the Thaw case, but he saved from execution Richard Loeb and Nathan Leopold, the two Chicago boys who kidnapped and killed another boy, Robert Franks, merely for the satisfaction of perpetrating a "perfect crime."

A plea of "guilty" was entered, and the young murderers were sentenced to life imprisonment.

Mr. Darrow's vast experience has brought him to these unexpected conclusions:

In my vocabulary there is no such word as "guilt" and no such thing as moral wrong. Believing that the law of cause and effect reaches through every part of the universe, I come to but one conclusion—no one deserves either praise or blame.

In my defence of men and women I have sought to bring courts and juries to understand this philosophy, which I think is largely responsible for what success I have had. Often my clients did not do the things with which they were charged. Sometimes they did do them, and then I tried to make courts and juries understand the reason why.

None Excused.

So great was Mr. Darrow's success that no prisoner he ever defended was sentenced to death, although in many cases the prosecution demanded the supreme penalty.

He is obsessed with the amount of insanity that exists in the world and believes that most people are not yet attuned to the world's rapid progress in the past few generations.

The senseless criticism against the defence of insanity seem to impress the public. Newspapers and individuals constantly belittle this defence, and still, given any general test, it is more apt to indicate insanity than criminality. It is constantly claimed that there is an increase of criminals, while the fact is that insanity is much more rapidly increasing throughout the world. Most of the unbalanced minds go through life without being detected or recognised as such.

Darrow volunteered to lead the defence of John T. Scopes, the young teacher of Dayton, Tenn., who was prosecuted for teaching the doctrine of evolution in a local school.

While the court was adjourned, towards the end of this farcical case, William Jennings Bryan, the famous Democratic presidential candidate who was helping the prosecution, died suddenly. "A man who for years had fought incessant drinking lay dead from indigestion caused by over-eating," is Mr. Darrow's sarcastic comment.

He gives us this cruel final picture of the "Great Commoner":

I see him now as he sat in Dayton in that country court-room in those blazing July days. The merry twinkle had vanished from his eyes. His huge jaw was pushed forward, stern and cruel and forbidding, immobile and unyielding. His speculations had ripened into unchangeable convictions. He did not think. He knew. His eyes plainly revealed mental disintegration. He had reached a stage of hallucination that would impel him to commit any cruelty that he believed would help his cause.

LEAGUE AND FAR EAST PROBLEM.

REPORTS OF REBUFF TO CHINESE.

Tokyo, Apr. 13. It is authoritatively learned here that the League of Nations Secretariat has advised the Chinese delegation at Geneva that China should continue the armistice negotiations at Shanghai instead of appealing to the League.

Report Denied.

Nanking, Apr. 13. The spokesman of the Chinese Government, interviewed by Reuters, categorically denied the report from Tokyo that the League had advised the Chinese delegation at Geneva that China should continue the peace negotiations at Shanghai instead of appealing to the League.

On the contrary, he stated that the Chinese Government had been informed by the League that the Assembly committee was meeting on April 16 for the purpose of discussing China's appeal and devising ways and means of carrying out the Assembly's resolutions.

SHIP ABANDONED.

ALL ABOARD REPORTED RESCUED.

Shanghai, Apr. 13. It is now reported that all aboard the Daiisan Taisei Maru have been rescued.

The ship and cargo have been abandoned.—Reuters Special.

A Tokyo message of Apr. 12 stated: The steamer Daiisan Taisei Maru, carrying 950 Japanese fishermen bound for the Kuriles, has gone aground off Okinawa, and is reported to be in imminent danger, owing to heavy seas, which are also preventing rescue vessels from approaching.

PRUSSIAN ELECTION.

NAZIS' HOPES OF POWER FRUSTRATED.

Berlin, Apr. 13. An almost insuperable obstacle to the attaining of power by the Nazis at the forthcoming Prussian elections has been raised by the Diet passing a Bill prescribing that the Prussian Premier henceforth can only be elected by an absolute majority.

This removes the chance of the Nazis slipping into power if the present Government parties fail to retain their majority.

It is expected that the Bill will raise a storm of opposition.—Reuters Special Service.

A SHORT MEMORIAL.

PROPOSED MONUMENT IN KOATLEN VILLAGE.

Nanking, Apr. 13. The citizens of Soochow are proposing to erect a monument in the village of Koatlen, near Soochow, where Mr. Robert Short met his death fighting Japanese aeroplanes.

The citizens hope that Mr. Short's mother, who is now en route to China, will visit Soochow to participate in the ceremonies of unveiling the monument.—Reuters.

History is replete with men of this type, and they have added sorrow and desolation to the world. Only when Mr. Darrow writes about the causes célèbres in which he figured is he interesting. His book suffers from the dreary fatalism of his Agnostic views. He forcibly states the strongest possible case against Prohibition without adducing anything new.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan and Shanghai	Yasukuni Maru	April 14.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	April 15.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only), London, 17th March	Hong Hwa	April 15.
Shanghai & Swatow	Sinkiang	April 16.
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only), London, 17th March	Fushimi Maru	April 16.
Japan and Shanghai	Asama Maru	April 16.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco 18th March)	Pres. Hayes	April 16.
Japan	Ginyo Maru	April 17.
Japan and Shanghai	Helan Maru	April 17.
Calcutta & Straits	Kutsang	April 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 25th March)	Pres. Jackson	April 18.
Australia and Manila	Kitano Maru	April 21.
Japan and Shanghai	Rawalpindi	April 22.
U. S. A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 2nd April)	Rio de Janeiro Maru	April 22.
	Pres. Taft	April 22.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Apr. 14, 8 p.m.
Amoy	Kwangtung	Thurs., Apr. 14, 8.30 p.m.
Seigon	Prominent	Thurs., Apr. 14, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Thurs., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.
Samshul and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Thurs., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta	Tatamba	Thurs., Apr. 14, 4 p.m.
	Parcels	4 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	Thurs., Apr. 14, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Tjisandane	Fri., Apr. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Yasukuni Maru	Fri., Apr. 15.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	10 a.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	12.45 p.m.
	Letters	1.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 11th May)	
Amoy	Tsinan	Fri., Apr. 15, 12.30 p.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Mulnam	Fri., Apr. 15, 1 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U. S. A., Central and S. America and Europe via Victoria B. C.	Pres. Cleveland	Fri., Apr. 15.
	Parcels	3 p.m.
	Reg.	4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B. C. 3rd May)	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Cleveland	Fri., Apr. 15.
	Reg.	5 p.m.
	Letters	6 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Sat., Apr. 16, 2.30 p.m.
Japan	Fushimi Maru	Sat., Apr. 16, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Hayes	Sat., Apr. 16, 5 p.m.
Manila	Asama Maru	Sun., Apr. 17, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hozan Maru	Sun., Apr. 17, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwangchow	Sun., Apr. 17, 9 a.m.
Hoikow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Com. Henri Riviere	Mon., Apr. 18, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Mon., Apr. 18, 1 p.m.
Amoy	Kutsang	Mon., Apr. 18, 5 p.m.
*Swatow, *Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Tues., Apr. 19, 1 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, *Central and *South America and *Europe via San Francisco	Taiyo Maru	Tues., Apr. 19.
	Reg.	18th, 5 p.m.
	Letters	19th, 8.30 a.m.
	(Due San Francisco, 13th May)	
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Changte	Tues., Apr. 19.
	Parcels	18th, 5 p.m.
	Registration	19th, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	19th, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 30th April)	
Tjikembang	Tues., Apr. 19, 10 a.m.	
Japan and *South American ports	Ginyo Maru	Tues., Apr. 19, 10 a.m.
Swatow	Norviken	Wed., Apr. 20, 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Yusang	Thurs., Apr. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Rawalpindi	Sat., Apr. 23.
	K. P. O.	
	Parcels	22nd, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	23rd, 9 a.m.
	Letters	23rd, 10 a.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Parcels	22nd, 5 p.m.
	Registration	23rd, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	23rd, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 20th May)	
Saloon and South Africa and *South American Ports	Rio de Janeiro Maru	Sat., Apr. 23, 10 a.m.
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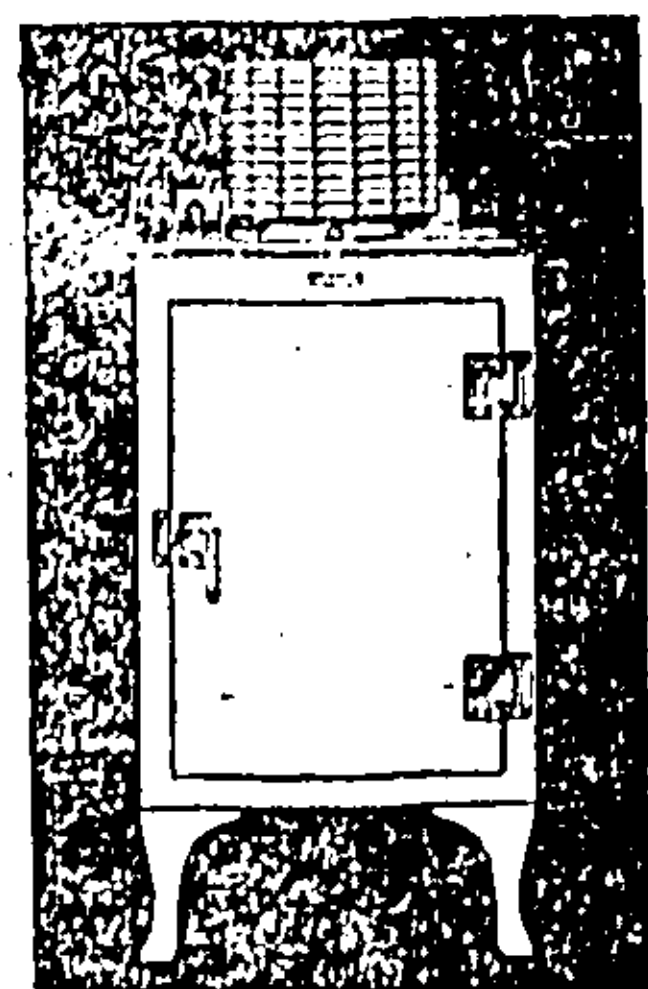
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TWO NEW DAINTY PRINT SPRING FROCKS.



[By Joan Savoy.]

Pictured on the left is an ideal little print frock. It has a French blue background, with daisies in white, yellow and dark blue. This frock has the new tight-through-the-waistline cut, has

sleeves cut in one with the waist and a brand new elbow puff, made of plain blue, with white-daisies hand-applied on to them. The cowl neckline is very becoming and this is the new wide cowl that will be good this spring. The frock on the right is a fine all-over green and white print, in almost a Paisley effect. There are deep cuffed sleeves, with elbow puffs, and a new surprise effect, made by using plain green for a wide girdle that ties shut under one arm. The side jabot bow is made half of the figured silk and half of plain green.

TO-DAY'S RECIPES.

Some Unusual Scones.

Apple Ginger Scones.

Take one medium-sized apple, 1 lb. flour, 2oz. butter, one teaspoon ground ginger, 1 teaspoon of bicarbonate of soda, one cup sour milk, 2oz. each of prepared raisins and currants, one teaspoon cream of tartar and 2oz. sugar.

Rub the butter into the well-sieved flour, then add the cream of tartar freed from lumps, and sugar. Peel, core and finely chop the apple almost to shavings. Add the fruit, ginger, currants and raisins. Mix well. Lastly dissolve the soda in the milk (cold) and mix in with the mixture to make a soft dough. Turn out on a well-floured board, but do not roll out with a rolling pin. Flour the hands well and pat the dough lightly. Cut into shapes with a scone cutter and bake in a moderate oven for 25 to 30 minutes.

These scones may be glazed by brushing the tops over with 1oz. sugar dissolved in one tablespoonful of warm water before placing in the oven. Serve these scones with butter and marmalade.

Savoury Scones.

Chop finely two hard-boiled eggs. Melt one tablespoon butter, add one tablespoon anchovy paste, a sprinkle of pepper, and a squeeze of lemon juice.

Mix well together. Make an ordinary scone dough (not sweet) and divide into two. Roll both out fairly thin. Spread mixture on one piece and cover with the other. Cut

into scones. Sprinkle with grated cheese and bake in a moderate oven.

Cocoanut Scones.

Rub one tablespoonful butter into three cupfuls of self-raising flour, to which has been added a good pinch of salt, a teaspoonful sugar and a teaspoonful desiccated cocoanut; then, when well mixed, add one beaten egg and enough milk to make into soft dough.

Roll this dough in the mixing bowl into a round roll and cut off neat slices 1 1/2 in. in width. Place on greased slide and bake in a moderate oven 12 minutes.

Cinnamon Scones. Put 1 lb. of self-raising flour into a basin, add one tablespoon castor sugar and one teaspoon cinnamon, mix well. Put in 1oz. butter, mix all into a moist dough with a breakfast cup of milk. Do not knead much, for the lighter the dough the lighter the scones.

Have a very hot oven ready. Roll out dough to three-quarters of an inch thick, cut into rounds, put on to warm oven shelf and bake for seven minutes. You must have a hot oven to have nice light scones. If you want a fruit scone you can add two tablespoons of either sultanas or currants or dates cut up. These are delicious. Cool on a sieve with a tea towel over them.

RED AND BLACK CROCKERY.

Some of the newest crockery, vases and so on intended for use on a dark polished table, are made of black and red china. Large flower bowls are made of the deep ruby like colour, with rims of black; tall vases of various shapes are decorated in a similar manner. A pair of book ends, which completes the set, is made in the form of two snouter pigeons, also of red china with their tails and wing feathers marked in black.

BEAUTY LESSONS.

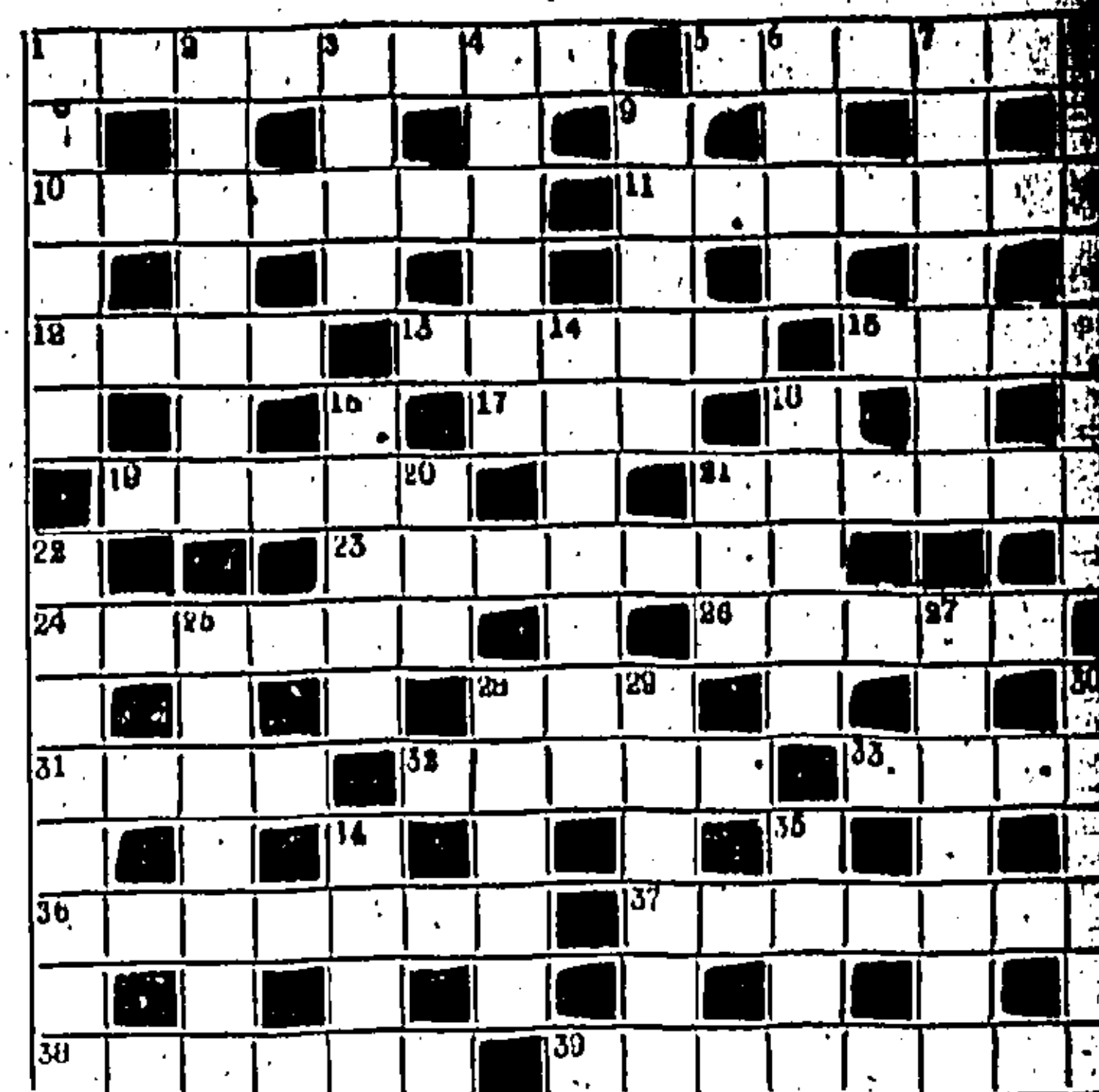
"Make-Up."

Always use a foundation cream before applying powder, which otherwise works into the pores and clogs them. A nourishing foundation cream, not a dry one, is best for Englishwomen, but it must leave no trace of grease to attract dust.

Find out how to apply the rouge by slapping the face and noticing where the colour comes into the cheeks. That is the natural surface to be rouged. Apply it in a triangle, very sparingly, and then rub in with circular movements of the finger tip. Lipstick, lightly applied, makes quite a good rouge. Broad faces should have the rouge carried round towards the ear; keep it near to the nose if the face is narrow. A mere touch of rouge on the centre of the chin shortens the long face. Carry the rouge up beneath the eyes if they look tired.

Powder lightly over the whole face and neck. Choose the powder with care, buying a flattering shade which gives colour to the face and does not look obvious because it is too light. A green tinge in the powder will improve a florid complexion. It is a good plan to buy two or three tints, all of the same scent, and blend them for different occasions.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Set free within the period of greatest vigour.
- 6 Involve.
- 10 May be in or out, and though age plays its part, the game is one for youth.
- 11 This thistle may be seen on many Scottish football fields.
- 12 Half on, and long before evening.
- 13 Sounds as though this Surrey town might invite them.
- 15 Enough long ago.
- 17 Lug.
- 18 So ten made an attack.
- 21 Not likely to consist of many courses at its interior.
- 23 Go back to the refuge.
- 24 Sounds as though one might be addressing the goose who didn't know that it was in Africa.
- 26 River of France.
- 28 As the result of a wager the girl is very short.
- 31 Be divided about the alternative if you choose, but it's generally shunned.
- 32 A beverage taken by Fred that one associates with a racket.
- 33 Aid.
- 36 Missionary and athlete.
- 37 A complaint that invariably involves the sack.
- 38 Known also as the sting-fish, one might imagine that a spinning bait would prove effective.
- 39 This little animal provides good advice to the greedy individual who has backed his fancy too freely.

Down

- 1 Leaving the old home is always pathetic.
- 2 The farmers in the vicinity of this Cheshire town are doubtless hoping that there will soon be a first on the second.
- 3 A draw in which four horses are concerned.
- 4 "When I am dead and gone, Remember to—me on the French."

"I, King Henry VI."

- 6 Tyrant of old time.
- 7 Once the home of the popes.
- 8 It is certainly not cold by side of the evangelist, but not in it warm.
- 9 Would be useless in a fight lost its head.
- 14 A looter who runs.
- 16 Diver (anag.).
- 18 Observances which suggest we should stand up for them.
- 20 Drink.
- 21 Sh! It sounds as though I had come back mad.
- 22 Out-of-date feminine finery a rabbit has.
- 25 To cut it short, it crosses river in Essex.
- 27 "Now, really, this appears common case Of putting much — into Sunday."
- 28 "An Open Question."
- 29 When upset the girl is liable make a ticket.
- 30 There is shelter in this bay.
- 30 Powerful.
- 34 Here it is.
- 35 Gums up, but neat, nevertheless.

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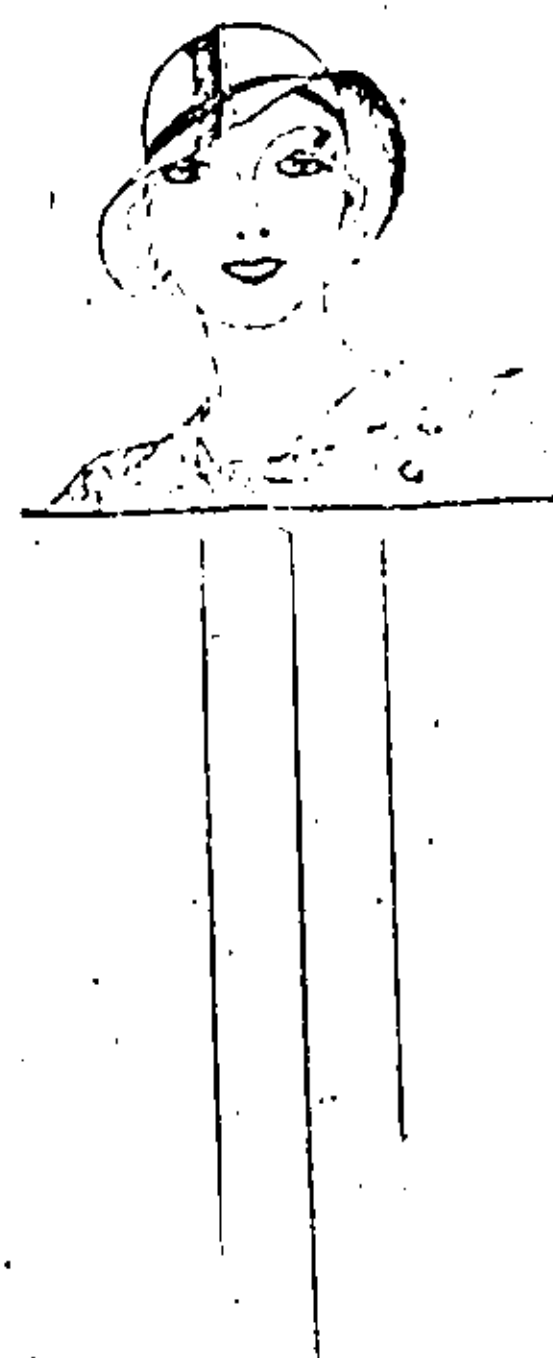
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DEATH.

RUBY.—On April 8th at Pagoda
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The
Hongkong Telegraph.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1932.

LAND GRANT DELAYS.

One of the proposals put forward by the Retrenchment Commission which the Government has not felt disposed to adopt is the creation of a permanent Zoning Committee for the purpose of mapping out areas in which Crown land is available for development. It is to be regretted that the suggestion has not been more favourably received, inasmuch as, with the complementary proposals accompanying it, the idea appears to be eminently sound. The Retrenchment Commission urged that areas be mapped out in advance, and, further, that the Government from time to time publish in the Gazette particulars of such areas, thus preventing applications for sites which are not available. The standing Zoning Committee, it was urged, should be under the chairmanship of the Director of Public Works, with expert unofficial representatives serving on it. The whole scheme strikes us as being businesslike in character, and, if put into operation, it should, as the Commission suggests, enable speedy grants of sites without the present multiplicity of reference, which inevitably creates delay.

It is, indeed, on this point of delay that the Commissioners base their recommendations. The reason, apparently, does not lie so much in individual officers, but is rather the result of the unwieldy system whereby applications have to be referred to so many sub-departments. What is obviously needed is a simplification of the procedure, which would result not only in saving of time, but would also put the whole matter of land grants on a better footing. The Government, in rejecting the proposals, points out that there was previously in existence a Town Planning Committee doing work similar to that suggested for the Zoning Committee, but it ceased to meet nine years ago. Further town-planning schemes are now being prepared, and the Government says that when these are ready they can be scrutinised by a specially appointed Committee, adding that only when large new areas are opened up for development would a permanent Committee be required. We cannot see that these arguments dispose of the case put forward by the Commissioners. Apart altogether from big town-planning schemes, there are constant applications being made for land, and, despite

the fact that sales and development arrangements are said to be in accordance with the recommendations of the now defunct Town-Planning Committee, the fact remains that there is interminable delay in making grants. Obviously this should not be the case.

The Commissioners refer to complaints of such delays, and we have ourselves often heard them. We have, indeed, a case in mind in which efforts have been made to secure a plot of land for industrial purposes, but so far without anything tangible accruing. This is bad from many standpoints. In the first place, it hampers trade development, and, in the second, it deprives the Government of needed revenue. Developments in other parts of the Far East seem likely to enhance Hongkong's prestige as a business and industrial centre, but the Colony will not derive full benefit from this trend unless it offers every facility to those seeking grants of land for the purpose of development. The proposals advanced by the Commissioners should overcome much of the present delay, for which reason we entertain the hope that the Government may reconsider its decision. At any rate, some definite overhauling of the existing methods seems an urgent necessity.

Boat Races, Rosettes and Ties.

Sartorially the varsity man all the world over is a curious creature. Take his attitude, for example, toward such things as rosettes and ties. On the morning of Boat Race Saturday everyone in London wears a huge rosette indicating whether Oxford or Cambridge is the flattered possessor of his sympathy. Everyone, that is, except those whose youth has been spent at either of the two universities, these being distinguished amongst the crowds who throng Piccadilly and the Strand by the elaborate ostentation with which they are not wearing rosettes. Yet that connexion with learning which the university man refuses to admit in a rosette he whispers in his college tie, so that the curious situation arises that, while he rejoices to see the citizens of London boldly carrying the rosette either of his own university or of the other place, if he perceives a single one of them wearing (albeit in innocent ignorance) a college tie to which he is not entitled, he is moved to indignation and distress, and even to writing to the papers about it. Such is the situation disclosed in a recent correspondence in the London press. The difficulty of course results from the fact that the ordinary man's choice in ties is restricted to quite narrow dimensions because so many combinations of attractive and tasteful stripes and colours have already been appropriated by schools or colleges. These places of education might nobly save the day by following the example of a society in a famous Oxford college, which concocted a tie of such a remarkable collection of colours, of yellow and purple, and green, and heliotrope, that no rational citizen could ever have been tempted to remove it from a shop window. But there is a snag about a tie such as this: no single member of the society in question was ever persuaded to wear it.

ROMAN CATHOLICS IN ENGLAND.

ITALIAN PRESS ON INCREASED NUMBERS.

Rome, Mar. 6.

Discussing "the continued progress in England of conversion to Catholicism," the Roman Catholic newspaper *L'Avenire d'Italia* argues that the major cause of this is the question of the Prayer Book.

"The question of the Prayer Book which has so aroused Anglican clerics and laymen seems to have made wider than ever the road for an overflowing advance of Roman Catholicism in England."

Discussing statistical figures published in *La Liberte* the Italian journal continues: "What has favoured this orientation of the English spirit towards Rome is undoubtedly the undecided, if not cold and disconcerting, attitude of the Anglican Church and the eternal question of the indissolubility of marriage."

DAY BY DAY

CONCISE PHRASES MAKE FANTASIES.—Morley.

Sir Sheou-sen Chow has completely recovered from his recent indisposition.

The many friends of Mr. E. R. Childs, of China Underwriters, will be glad to learn that he has now left hospital after his recent operation. He has taken up residence at Repulse Bay.

Whilst tending to a military horse at the Camp at Shamshui, yesterday, Pte Gillespie, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, was bitten by the animal. He was later treated by the military medical authorities.

Mr. B. Paul will speak on "From Atlantis to England" at the usual weekly public lecture of the Hongkong Lodge, the Theosophical Society, 17, Queen's Road Central, to-day at 8 p.m. This lecture was postponed from last week owing to the death of Mr. Manul.

The hollowed-out interior of a bamboo pole was discovered by Revenue officers yesterday to be the receptacle for a half-gallon of dutiable Chinese wine. The would-be smuggler, a coolie, was brought by Revenue Ward before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy today, and was fined \$10, with the option of a week's hard labour.

An unknown Chinese is believed to have committed suicide yesterday morning, when, travelling as a second-class passenger from Canton on the S.S. Sai On, he disappeared leaving behind a number of letters, one of which was addressed to his wife at Canton. The matter was reported by the master to the police on the arrival of the boat here.

A fine of \$7,000, with the alternative of one year's hard labour, was imposed on a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning on a charge of being in possession of 65 tins of prepared opium. He was arrested when about to leave a wharf on the waterfront. The defendant informed his Worship that as his mother had intended to sell his young brother he had decided to assist her financially by carrying the opium for another man.

The annual meeting of the League of Nations, Hongkong branch, will be held to-morrow at 5.15 p.m. in the St. John's Cathedral Hall, to hear the Secretary's report, the Treasurer's report, the President's address, and for the election of officers. The following resolution will be proposed:—"That this Annual Meeting of the League of Nations Society, Hongkong, desires to express its wholehearted support of the objects and general policy of the League of Nations, and in particular of its efforts to deal with the present situation in the Far East."

THE EARTH'S CORE.

REPRODUCTION ATTEMPT BY SCIENTISTS.

A five-year study of the nature of earthquakes has been begun by Harvard scientists, with an attempt, to reproduce, artificially, a heat pressure comparing with that of the earth's core.

It is expected that the project will reveal how the earth is built and minerals created, and how they may be found. The scientists are using apparatus which has squeezed water into five different solid forms and pressed air into a form as dense as water.

WHAT IS A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN.

By GERALD KELLY, the Portrait Painter.

WHEN people ask me about beauties I carefully inquire whether they mean pretty and attractive creatures, which is a subject easy to chatter about and delightful to investigate, or whether they really mean Beautiful Women, outstanding figures who have inspired artists, started legends, and contributed to history.

Creatures as superlative as Joyce Wethered and Shakespeare, Bobby Jones and Sappho, Lindrum or Bradman, Einstein or Newton, Mary Queen of Scots, Titian or Velazquez.

Good Looks.

Because I am a painter, and primarily a portrait painter, it is unwise for me to express quite candidly what I think about the people I see. This is one of the questions in which everybody's natural opinion, trained or untrained, is the best for him.

The appeal of good looks is to the instinct; it comes to people before they have collected erudition and, thank God, stays with them all their life. I really do know an enormous lot that I did not know, but I can recognise what I think is a pretty woman when I see one just as well as when I first sat up and took notice.

The one thing that men have always been interested in is Beautiful Women, and I cannot imagine how it can ever cease to be so. All that tradition and literature have brought down to us is shot through with stories of lovely women, the joy they have given, and the damage they have done.

Only in the Old Testament does there seem to be a scarcity, though Jewesses can be so lovely. I can only think of the Queen of Sheba and Esther and Bathsheba.

But in Greece, oh my! First there was Helen. And after the stories told of her come the innumerable beauties told of the Greeks, who were exquisite connoisseurs. Other nations less profoundly occupied with beauty than were the Greeks have left us written records of their famous women, and as the time comes nearer to our own the total mounts up magnificently.

But what a tragic pity that we have no record of what they looked like! I wonder what we should think if we could see them?

It so happens that there are in Burlington House now some authentic portraits of renowned beauties, and, apart from questions of painting, this exhibition should be visited by all enthusiasts of "the female form divine." When or where in ancient Greece, or anywhere else in the world, was there a lovelier body than that represented in Ingres's "La Source"?

Tastes Have Changed.

Though Mme. de Pompadour was not so lovely as Phryne, and Boucher was not so great an artist as Praxiteles, visitors to the Royal Academy can gather some fair idea of what she was

like who had such immense power over Louis XV. and the taste of his time.

There is also Mme. Recamier, who was known for her wit, her grace, and her beauty, and who had the last of the salons. People raved about her. Gerard painted a superb picture of this exquisite lady. I should like my readers also to look carefully at the portrait by Ingres of Mme. Aymon, known as "La Belle Zelle," which is particularly interesting since it represents a renowned beauty of that time whom I do not think we should so class to-day, for our taste has changed.

Indeed, in the past there have been changes of taste. They tell me, for example, that in Queen Elizabeth's time no dark-haired woman had a chance. I wonder whether that was so? How odd it seems. Was it a kind of snuffery for that red-haired Queen? Or did they really not like them dark?

Any reader of Balzac must be struck with the nubby-pamby type he thought lovely. The pure oval of the face, slightly prominent eyes, the tiny mouth (shrunk perhaps by the constant pronunciation of such words as prunes and priams?) seems to suggest a kind of egg and be reminiscent of a bag of lard.

Anyone who looks at the women in the big picture by Ingres, "Le Martyre de Saint Symphonien," can see what I am trying to describe. It is almost incredible to think that M. de Nucingen ruined himself for such a ninny. And isn't it tragic bad luck for the girls who to-day resemble that type? Born too late, poor dears, they have little or no success because they are considered to be without character.

I think the "Raphaelesque" type was rather blown upon by the time I began to take notice. When I was young people were inclined to denigrate prettiness, which was considered slightly vulgar.

Money was not widely spread, and even among the rich many did not make the best of themselves, but people really did discuss the great beauties, and in London the lovely Duchess of Leinster, Lady Dudley, Mary Anderson, and Mrs. Langtry simply towered above their contemporaries, and supreme among them was Lily Langtry.

The Loveliest Women.

People seem to have gone wild about her, and strong men got up on little green chairs in the Park so as to be able to get a glimpse of her. What should we think of Mrs. Langtry if we could see her now as she was at her loveliest and with the advantages of modern frocks? What would they think of her at Hollywood? Would she overwhelm the beauties of to-day?

I think the loveliest women I ever saw were Lina Cavalieri and, after her, Lady Diana Manners, and after her, Kay Francis. And after her. And I have just seen Annabella, the French star.

And yet it seems almost ridiculous not to mention Lily Elsie, who was more than pretty. Remember this is not a discussion about pretty girls; of them there are more about now than ever. We are not occupied with the good club player whose handicap is about two, but with the champion class plus four and better. There may be some who attain this class by sheer physical perfection, but, of course, the outstanding creatures are those who in addition to loveliness of body bring grace, charm, or individual character, and it is probably the absence of these extra qualities that make us call certain women pretty instead of beautiful.

When I think of the women who were marvellous to look at and impossible to forget I must add the names of sweet Ellen Terry and Pavlova and Pastora Imperio. Was it the voice with Miss Terry, the grace of Pavlova, the wit and passion of Pastora?

I suggest that we can each of us take a much more intelligent interest in this thrilling question than could our fathers have done. For the cinema has come and shown us so many more lovely creatures than we should have seen without it; our interest has been aroused, and our taste and standards must now be much higher.

Let those who will take the trouble to go to Burlington House and see the pictures that I have mentioned, and then, remembering Romney's paintings of lovely Lady Hamilton to add to their personal experience at home and in the cinema, they can proceed to settle this important question.

Fashion decrees the nature and type of what we rate highly, and Fashion is constantly changing. Probably in questions of Beauty we are also the slaves of Fashion.

But at least we are leaving to our descendants very complete records of what we deem beautiful. Will they like them, or even bother to keep them?

GERALD KELLY.



"Tell the Herberts, darling, what all you said to that fresh elevator boy."

MUSICAL TREAT.

FINE RECITAL BY THE SCHNEIDER TRIO.

Offering an unforgettable musical treat, which held the audience spellbound, the Schneider Trio last night gave the first of their two return recitals at the Helena May Institute. Once again, for some inexplicable reason, the attendance was not large, although what the audience lacked in numbers, it endeavored to make up in enthusiasm, and the trio could not wish for a more gratifying reception.

Real experts in their art, the trio occupied a foremost place among the leading musical combinations of the world, and those in Hongkong who allow the players to depart without hearing them will experience a lasting regret.

Last night the instrumentalists offered three trio compositions by Mozart, Pizetti, and Gerschwin. The first was Mozart's comparatively well-known Trio No. 2 in B-flat Major, three movements. This gave the performers just the right opportunity of revealing their genius in the handling of delicate and intricate compositions, and served as a fitting introduction to the more spectacular pieces which followed.

Pizetti's Trio in A, composed as late as 1925, was the outstanding achievement of the evening. The magnificent Mosso Arioso, leading up to the majestic movement of the Largo, and the sheer abandon of Rapsodia di Settembre, was magnificently played, and the whole performance was a triumph of technique and masterly musicianship. It will long be remembered by those who heard it.

The concluding offering was Gerschwin's Trio Op. 38, with its powerful Allegro Appassionato, appealing Lento Assai, and majestic Finale. In its rendition the trio were heard at their best, their performance defying criticism.

Professor Aaron Anatol Vitolinoff-Scheel was at the piano, with Renja Wascitz (violin) and Professor Wolfgang Schneider (violinello).

The second programme is being given on Wednesday next, and will consist of trios by Beethoven, Marx and Schubert. For this, there should be a capacity house.

SOCCER IN THE SOUTH.

PALACE DRAW AT BRENTFORD.

London, Apr. 13. Four matches were played in the Southern Section of the Third Division, English League to-day, but the important league positions were not affected thereby.

The results were:

Brentford	1	Crystal Pal.
Cardiff	3	Swindon
Gillingham	0	Brighton
Watford	3	Luton

The amended table follows:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Fulham	38	21	9	8	101	56	51
Southend	38	19	9	10	69	51	47
Reading	38	19	9	10	83	66	47
Exeter	38	19	7	12	73	57	45
Brentford	38	17	10	11	62	47	44
Crystal Pal.	38	17	10	11	69	62	44
Brighton	38	16	11	11	61	51	43
Luton	38	16	10	12	66	66	42
Norwich	38	17	7	14	78	70	41
Watford	38	16	8	14	74	72	40
Coventry	38	16	7	15	96	87	39
Queen's P. R.	38	13	11	14	72	68	38
Swindon	38	14	6	18	67	66	34
Bournemouth	38	11	12	15	59	69	33
Northampton	38	13	7	18	67	62	33
Torquay	38	12	9	17	69	91	33
Bristol R.	38	13	7	18	62	64	33
Clapton O.	37	11	10	16	71	74	32
Mansfield	38	10	9	19	67	98	29
Gillingham	38	9	7	22	35	70	25
Thames	38	6	9	23	47	99	21

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

There were a few enquiries for some selected stocks, but otherwise the market ruled quiet.

Sales.
 Benguet Explorations 29 cents.
 Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.
 Star Perries \$91.
 Hongkong Electric 74½.
Buyers.
 Union Insurance 475.
 Benguet 113½.
 Docks 20½.
 Providents (Old) \$485.
 Providents (New) \$24.
 Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$134.
 Hongkong Realities \$11.00.
 Chinese Entails \$95.
 Benguet Explorations 29 cents.
 Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.
 Hongkong Trams 21½.
 Star Perries \$90½.
 Hongkong Electric 74½.
 Telephones (P.P.) \$24.00.
 Sinceres \$10½.
 Amusements \$23.
 Construction (New) \$185.
 Govt. Loans 3¼ Premium.
Sellers.
 Union Insurance \$480.
 International Asso. Tls. 4.
 Hongkong Electric 74½.
 S. C. Enterprises \$10.

SHAMEEN NOTES.

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS.

Shameen, Apr. 13. A delightful organ recital was held at the Shameen Christ Church on Tuesday, being the third of a series held in aid of the Church Repair Fund. During the short interval in the programme the very satisfactory sum of \$170 was collected.

The soloist for the evening was Mr. A. Hoffmeister, whose rendering of "Star of Eve" from "Tannhauser" was particularly fine, his rich baritone admirably suiting the acoustic properties of the Church. Mr. V. P. Waters was at the organ, and he rendered an interesting selection of pieces. The quartet "God so loved the world" was sung by members of the Church choir. The following were the programme:

In Nomine Domini Macdowell.
 Berceuse Faulkes.
 Hallelujah Hammell.
 Melodie "To a water Lily" Macdowell.
 Quartet "God So Loved the World" Stainer.
 Intermezzo Rheinberger.
 Epilogue Grey.
 Hymne Celeste Grey.
 Star of Eve (from Tannhauser) Wagner.
 Moment Triste Rehfisch.
 Prelude in G Major Bach.

Personalia.

Mr. Otto Plate, a popular member of the German community, left to-day on home leave. Mr. Plate has for some years past been in charge of the export department of Messrs. Reuter, Brockelmann and Co.

Farwell was also bid to Mr. and Mrs. Borisoff, who are proceeding on transfer to Shanghai.

Mr. Borisoff will be remembered for the important part played by him in the recent reorganization of the office routine and the classification of imports into Canton.

Amateur Theatricals.

On Saturday, the Canton Amateur Theatrical Society presented three short plays at the Canton Club Theatre. The first, "Post Mortem," a comedy in one act by Charles Devine, was produced and presented by the American community with the following cast: Mr. Richard Barker, Horace Smith; Mrs. Richard Barker, Gladys Lee; Jimmy (a burglar) H. G. J. McNeary; Al (his pal), G. Harvey Biggs. The story is written round a post-mortem discussion after a game of bridge. The play was very well acted and every praise is due to all concerned.

The second, "A Few Essentials," a farce in one act by Roland Perlewe, was presented by: Margaret (a wife), Una J. C. Hill; Lennox (her husband), S. M. Carlisle; Joyce (a maid), Phroso Lammert; Parlous (a valet), J. P. Maedermott. Produced by Betty Longworth, the play was extremely well acted and the principals and producer are to be congratulated on a very finished performance.

The third play was "Goulash," a farce in one act by Claude Radcliffe, with the following cast: Hugh Pemberton, L. B. Wood; Ruth Pemberton, Edna M. Cruickshank; Lady Quail, Una J. C. Hill; Pearson (the parlourmaid), Ann Gillett; Mrs. Flood, Margaret Maedermott; Bob Simmons (Pearson's young man), William G. Gerrard; Wellington Wombat, M.P., V. Loftus-Paton. Produced by Una J. C. Hill, this was by far the best of the three plays presented and was very well received. The whole cast was good and very aptly chosen. V. Loftus-Paton was perhaps the outstanding character, while Una J. C. Hill as the elderly Lady Quail gave further proof of her versatility and histrionic ability and is to be congratulated on her production. —Our Own Correspondent.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Penbreath and Co.

London, Terminals.
 August 1932 4/6½ up 3d.
 December 1932 4/8½ up 3d.
 March 1933 5/3½ up 3d.
 May 1933 5/3½ up 1½d.
 Buyers at above prices, sellers asking ¼d.-½d. more.
New York Terminals.
 May 1932 .60 down 1 pt.
 July 1932 .68 no change.
 September 1932 .73 down 1 pt.
 December 1932 .80 down 1 pt.
 March 1933 .88 no change.

To-morrow, Friday, is being observed as Pound Day at the Alcoa Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, Bonham Road. The hospitals will be open for inspection, and for the reception of gifts from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

INCOME TAX OF NEW K.C.s.

THEIR PROFESSION STILL THE SAME.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt decided in the King's Bench Division that a barrister does not set up a new profession when he becomes a King's Counsel.

Mr. Groom Johnson and Mr. Bruce Thomas had contended that when they became K.C.s they began, so far as their assessment for income tax was concerned, a new and different profession.

This was upheld by the income tax commissioners, and the Crown appealed. The Attorney-General argued that there were not two professions, one of junior barristers and the other of King's Counsel, and that to be appointed a K.C. was to attain a dignity or rank within the profession.

He agreed that a new status was acquired, but he denied that there was any alteration of profession.

The Silk Gown.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt upheld the Crown's contention and allowed the appeal, with costs.

Incidentally he mentioned that originally a K.C. held an office, and until recently he had a salary, as a retainer for the Crown. He could not appear against the Crown without a licence.

That was now obsolete, and what was done was that the Sovereign conferred a titular on the barristers concerned. That was recognised in the courts by giving them precedence, a seat within the Bar and a silk gown.

THE NEW STYLE OF BIOGRAPHY.

MR. LYTON STRACHEY THE PRIME ARTIST.

Professor George Gordon, president of Magdalen College, Oxford, who broadcast a national lecture on the Art and Ethics of Biography, said that in the last ten years a new style of biography had caused more earnest thinking and more wholesome anger than any other form of literature.

The prince and leader of that race was, he said, the late Mr. Lyton Strachey.

Beyond comparison he is the prime artist and innovator. His great weakness, however, was his lack of religion. He had neither God nor heroes. The gain in irony is immense, the gain in truth is more doubtful.

Professor Gordon discussed how Strachey was indebted to the style of the late Sir Edmund Gosse. "Without any doubt I now place him," he said, "among Strachey's ancestors."

Herr Emil Ludwig he described as "the somewhat masculine Strachey of Germany," and said that he was always seeking the problem of the soul, sometimes at the expense of literature.

"Soon we shall have biography specialists," he added. "Ludwig calls himself one now. When that point is reached the game for me is lost."

SHORTS ON THE COURTS?

The Lawn Tennis Association and the All-England Club at Wimbledon seem entitled to feel annoyed at the talk of what is described as "dress reform" at this year's lawn tennis championship.

An association called the Men's Dress Reform Party is sending a circular letter to famous players urging the wearing of shorts for men and women.

Shorts will never be popular with men players because trousers cover physical imperfections.

As for the women the question can be left to their common sense. American and French women tennis players do not approve of shorts. The following opinions are quoted by Reuters San Francisco and Paris correspondents:

Mrs. Helen Wills-Moody. — Shorts are very ugly.
 Miss Helen Jacobs. — "Tennis would look like a burlesque if women wore shorts."
 Mlle. Leila Claude-Anet. — "Oh no! Impossible!"
 Henri Cochet. — Does not stock women's shorts at his Paris sports shop.

BASEBALL.

ANOTHER WIN FOR WASHINGTON.

New York, Apr. 13. The results of baseball games played to-day follow:

	National League.	American League.
Cincinnati	2	Chicago
St. Louis	9	Pittsburg
		St. Louis
		Cleveland
Chicago	7	Washington
Detroit	5	
Boston	6	

—Reuters.

CANDID WIVES ARE BEST WIVES.

GOVERNMENT AS ERRING HUSBAND.

Lady Astor, Tory member for Plymouth, appeared in the House of Commons in the part of the perfect wife—the wife who tells her husband unpleasant truths for his own good. The role of the erring husband was filled by the Government.

Lady Astor was led to play her part by what she considers the mistaken policy of the Government in forcing the bread-eater to pay a subsidy of about £6,000,000 a year to the wheat farmer.

Lord Wolmer (Con., Aldershot) had also annoyed her by saying that it was all very well for a millionaire (Lord Astor, who recently criticised the Government's policy in a book) to write to the papers telling farmers how to invest their capital when they had no capital to invest.

Must Be Temporary.

So Lady Astor made remarks of this kind:

This is not a question of what millionaires are doing with their money. It is a question of what the Government are doing with the people's money.

This is a dolt, and we want to be perfectly certain that it is a temporary dolt.

The Government had better go along on dolt. It was attachment to a permanent dolt that drove labour members out of this House.

The dolt to the beet sugar farmers cost £4,000,000 last year. Now the Government propose another dolt of £6,000,000 to the wheat farmers.

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal Scottish Secretary) spoke of the wheat dolt as a temporary lifeboat. Let the Government take care that it is not a life boat for them!

She paused a moment, and then said, "I believe in the National Government."

A Tory member: "No one would think it."

Lady Astor: "The best kind of wife is the wife who tells her husband the truth. I'm telling the Government the truth." (Liberal and Labour cheers).

Hard to Please.

These further home-truths followed:

The Government cannot go on paying these beet sugar and wheat subsidies indefinitely.

The public are not willing to help indefinitely an industry that cannot stand on its own legs.

The Government think their policy will please the farmer. If they do, they will do more than the Creator has ever done.

We know quite well that the money for this subsidy is not coming from Heaven or the stars or the pockets of the people who buy bread.

Labour members cried: "Come over here!" But Lady Astor retorted: "No, I will not. I would not be seen dead with you."

She warned the Government of what might be the consequence of their policy at the next General Election, and added: "It is because I have never seen a House with so many promising young men in it—(loud laughter)—that I give this warning."

One of these promising young men, Lt-Commander P. G. Agnew (Con., Camberne) warmly supported Lady Astor's amendment to the Wheat Bill limiting the subsidy to one year, but it was voted by 305 to 64.

No pledge was given by Sir John Gilmour (Minister of Agriculture) on the ground that the farmers must have certainty for at least three years, and defeated by 305 votes to 64.

No pledge was given by Sir John that the subsidy would end in three years. All he would say was that a Committee would be set up then to go into the question of the guaranteed price.

DARTMOOR.

OFFENDERS SPARED THE "CAT".

None of the 30 Dartmoor convicts who were tried by the visiting justices for offences during the recent disturbances was ordered corporal punishment.

This was revealed by Sir Herbert Samuel, the Home Secretary, in the House of Commons recently.

Sir Herbert said effect had been given to the punishments ordered. The only punishment which required confirmation and in this instance none was ordered.

Visiting justices have power to order the following maximum sentences (which may be combined): 14 days' close confinement; 15 days' bread and water diet for three-day periods; alternating with three days' ordinary diet; forfeiture of privileges or of remission of sentence for 28 days; in cases of mutiny or violence to a prison officer the committee may award up to 36 lashes with the "cat" or the birch, subject to Home Office sanction.

RADIO BROADCAST

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME OF RECORDED MUSIC.

Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.s). 6.00-8.00 p.m.

European programme of Victor and H. M. V. records.

6.00-6.20 p.m. Children's Concert.

Song-When We Were Very Young—The King's Breakfast (Fraser-Simpson-Milne).

Song-Now We Are Six (a) The Engineer (b) Wind in the Hill (Fraser-Simpson-Milne). B2697.

Mist Crawford (Soprano). B2697.

Dialogue-The Fairy Letter Box (Grey).

Dialogue-Rupert the Ridiculous Rabbit (Grey).

B. Grey, P. Swinstead, B. Glennie.

Song-(a) Halfway Down (b) Hoppity (c) Growing Up (Milne-Fraser-Simpson).

Song-(a) Happiness (b) Missing (c) In the Fashion (Milne-Fraser-Simpson).

George Baker (Baritone). B2220.

6.20-6.45 p.m. Variety.

Orchestral-Delishious.

Nat Shikret and the Victor Orchestra. 22002.

Organ Solo-S Wonderful.

Edward O'Henry. B2695.

Orchestral-Who's Your Little Who-Is?

Victor Arden-Phil Ohman and Their Orchestra. 22893.

Song-The Girl is You and the Boy is Me.

Melville Gideon (Baritone). B2674.

Orchestral-Tunes of Not-So-Long-Ago-1921.

Orchestral-Tunes of Not-So-Long-Ago-1922.

New Mayfair Orchestra. B3944.

Orchestral-How Long Will It Last?

Leo Reisman and His Orch. 22910.

7.00 p.m.

(Stock quotations, mail notice, etc.).

6.45-7.10 p.m. Orchestral.

Carmen Suite-March of The Smugglers (Bizet).

Carmen Suite-Soldiers Changing the Guard (Bizet).

Philadelphian Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski. 6874.

The Gipsy Princess-Potpouri (Kalmann).

Ferdy Kaufmann and His Orchestra. B2508.

Rienzi-Overture (Wagner).

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski. 6624.

7.10-8.00 p.m. A Concert.

Piano Solo-Nocturne A Ragazzo (Schelling).

Ignace Jan Paderewski. 6700.

Song-Calm as the Night (Bosha).

Song-Serenade (Schubert).

Louise Homer (Contralto). 6703.

Violoncello Solo-Die Meistersinger-Prize Song (Wagner-Wilhelm).

Violoncello Solo-Tannhauser-The Evening Star (Wagner).

Chorus-Eton Bunting Song (Kaps).

Eton College Musical Society.

Vocal Trio-When the Cock Begins to Crow (Purcell).

Three Etonians. B2774.

Piano Solo-A la bien Aimee (Schubert).

Piano Solo-Waltz in E Flat (Durand).

Harold Bauer. 6508.

Song-The Laverne Seller (Greenville-Smith).

Song-Vienna, City of my Dreams (Sieczynski).

Derek Oldham (Tenor). B3963.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.33 p.m. Close Down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co.

"THOUSANDS STARVE IN AUSTRALIA."

REMARKABLE STORY.

A remarkable story was told at Thames Police Court when five young men were charged with stowing away on a British steamship from Australia.

Mr. Poregrine (prosecuting counsel) said that the men went out under an emigration scheme, and he was informed that there were thousands of such in Australia. Many of them took all sorts of risks to get on board a ship.

There was another ship due that night, he said, with a "cargo" of stowaways and another with stowaways on board was nearing this country.

"It is a most distressing state of affairs," he said, "when men have to go to such lengths to get home. Thousands of them are living in camps and hovels and are absolutely starving."



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HAPPY VALLEY GOLF.

DRAW FOR FOURSOME KNOCK OUT COMPETITION.

The draw has been made for the Foursome (two balls) knock out competition to be played over 18 holes at Happy Valley, and resulted as follows:

D. J. Valentine and J. B. Mackie v. H. U. Ireland and R. C. Law; J. P. A. Davis and G. E. Mifford v. W. Mulenby and C. W. F. Booker; G. W. Sewell and H. W. Dawkes v. R. A. Campbell and B. Young; J. W. D. Denham and A. C. Conner v. R. M. Wood and J. B. Richardson; W. J. Stewart and W. G. Lorimer; I. Newton and J. A. R. Selby v. A. Brooks-bink and R. F. Clark; R. S. W. Paterson and K. S. Robertson v. W. J. Shenton and A. MacFarlane; N. J. Perrin and D. J. Fenwick; W. Woodward and N. K. Littlejohn v. L. R. Warr and F. E. Booker; H. Lowe and D. S. Robb v. F. J. de Rome and J. W. Franks; A. E. Lissman and J. Campbell v. A. G. I. Bowker and H. H. Mundy; J. H. Gilling and W. H. Edmonds v. Col. C. R. Savile and Capt. H. V. Barker Benfield.

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YESTERDAY'S SOCCER.

MATCHES IN THE LOCAL LEAGUES.

Yesterday's Hongkong League football results at a glance:

Division I: H.K. Police 0 H.K.F.C. 1
Division II: R.A.C. 0 12th Bty. 3
The playing pitch was under water in midfield, but two League games were contested on the H.K.F.C. ground. Owing to the late start of the junior game, due to the late arrival of the Gunners, the senior game was played in semi-darkness the final whistle sounding a couple of minutes before 7 o'clock.

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

KOWLOON C.C. PLAYERS AGAINST H.K.C.C.

The Kowloon C.C. in their match against the Hongkong C.C. on Saturday will be as follows: J. C. Lyal, F. Goodwin, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, N. A. E. Mackay, P. Madar, G. C. Burnett, W. C. Hong, F. E. Lawrence, P. S. W. Smith and J. Hunter.

FOOTBALL MEETING.

SMALL SOUVENIRS TO BE AWARDED PLAYERS.

At a meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council last evening, it was suggested to present small shields and cups to the winners and runners-up in the Shield and League competitions.

Several views were put forward when the matter came up for discussion. It was suggested by Capt. Hayward that, in view of the small gate receipts during the past season, no awards be made, but on a proposition by Mr. T. G. Stokes that the winning team be presented with a replica of the Shield and League trophies, Capt. Hayward withdrew his motion.

It was finally decided that souvenirs be awarded but of a much smaller size than last year.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. R. K. Duncan in the absence of Mr. J. Ormiston who is indisposed.

LOCAL SOCCER.

FORTHCOMING LEAGUE MATCHES.

The following games in the League will be played on Saturday:

Second Division.

Argylls v. R.A.C.C.—Chatham Rd. ground; kick-off at 4.30 p.m. sharp; referee, A. B. Laith.

Third Division.

R.A.F. v. Radio.—Recreio ground, 3 p.m.; referee, Mr. Gemes. S.W.B. v. Recreio.—Recreio ground, 4.30 p.m.; referee, W. Cult.

On Wednesday, in the Third Division, R.A.F. meet S.W.B. on the Recreio ground, at 4.30 p.m.; referee, W. G. Nesworthy.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club 2nd XI against the South Wales Borderers on the Club Ground on Monday at 5.15 p.m.—F. S. Moses, L. F. Nicholson, L. A. R. Duncan, H. J. D. Lowe, E. G. S. Dale, J. E. Potter, S. J. H. Fox, S. Hill, W. A. Nowers, W. E. Williams and R. D. Kilbee.



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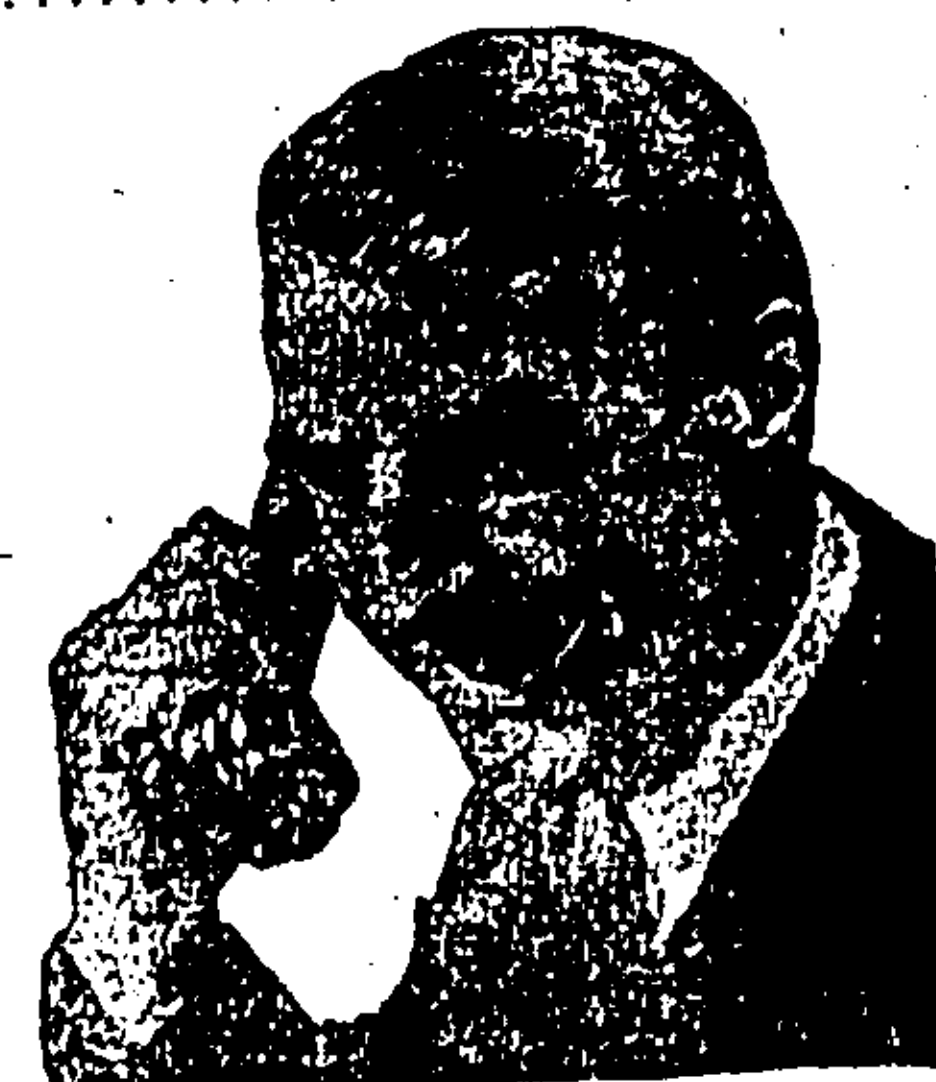
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PLEA FOR CO-OPERATION AT ANNUAL MEETING.

An appeal for better co-operation between the members and the committee was made by Mr. K. C. Lam, who presided at the annual general meeting of the Hongkong University Medical Faculty held in the Union Assembly Room yesterday afternoon. The chairman was supported by Mr. T. W. Goh (Hon. Secretary) and Prof. L. T. Ride (Hon. Treasurer).

The Hon. Secretary in his report said the work of the Faculty for the past year had been very satisfactory indeed. They had not only done well in studies, but had also managed to carry off the Inter-Faculty trophies for cricket, tennis and basketball.

The following officers were elected for the current year: President, Prof. W. I. Gerrard; Hon. Treasurer, Prof. L. T. Ride; Chairman, Mr. K. C. Lam; Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. F. Lo; Sixth Year Representative, to be left to the Committee; Fifth Year, Mr. G. K. Lam; Fourth Year, Mr. P. P. Chiu; Third Year, Miss C. Wong; Second Year, Mr. P. F. Woo; First Year, Mr. C. K. Wong; Graduate Representative, Dr. F. S. Fernando.

Mr. Lam thanked the committee on behalf of the Faculty for their hard work during the year, which was a successful one for them in every way. He specially mentioned the names of Mr. T. W. Goh, who kindly took up the post of Hon. Secretary at a moment's notice, and Prof. L. T. Ride, who had charge of the financial side of the Faculty's activities.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Hon. Treasurer and the Chairman.

THE DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

SWEEPING PROPOSAL BY ITALY.

Geneva, Apr. 13. A clean sweep of heavy artillery, tanks, bombing aeroplanes, battleships, submarines, aeroplane carriers and bacteriological warfare, was advocated by Signor Grandi to-day at the Disarmament Conference.

He declared that deprivation of armies, navies and air forces of their most powerful arms would make international aggression more difficult and more precarious.

U. S. Proposals Supported.

London, Apr. 13. Full support for the proposals put forward by the United States to the Disarmament Conference at Geneva was given to-day by Signor Grandi, the Italian Foreign Minister. He said that he considered Mr. Gibson's plan to be the best means of abolishing explosive and powerful armaments. Abolition of armaments of a decidedly aggressive nature would lead to a considerable reduction in war budgets.

His own specific proposals were progressive reduction of gun calibres of heavy artillery, progressive abolition of capital ships, aircraft carriers and submarines, each nation to disarm and destroy each year a proportion of naval tonnage.—British Wireless.



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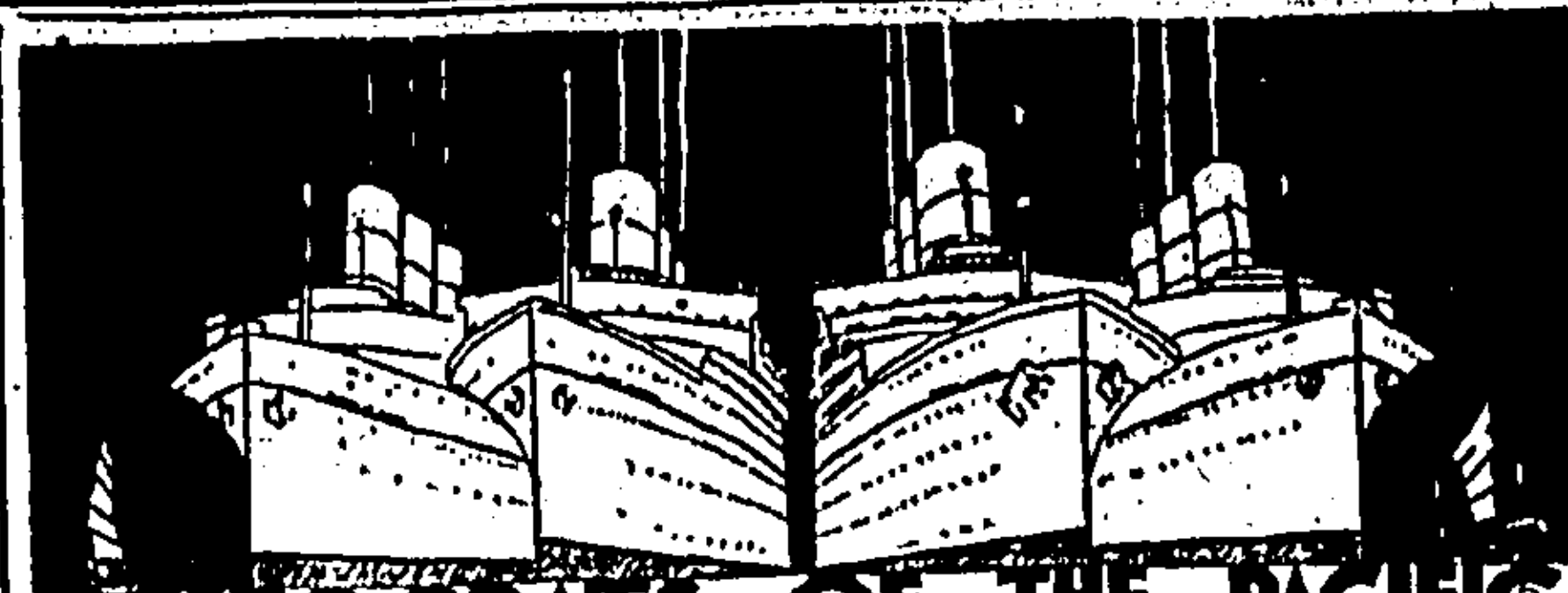
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The case in which a dispute between brothers over an alleged partnership involving a sum of \$80,487.68 has been engaging the attention of the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) in the Supreme Court, concluded yesterday morning when judgment was reserved.

There are three plaintiffs, Hung Yik-sau, Hung Kung-cheung and Hung Yu-fai, alias Hung Shau-hing, all of No. 24, Ki Kom Lane, Amoy, at present staying at the Empress Hotel, Nos. 169-160, Connaught Road Central. Defendant is Hung Hin (or Huen)-chung, No. 12, Lung Tau Street, Kulangau, Amoy, now living at the Great Eastern Hotel, No. 112, Connaught Road Central.

The Claim.

Plaintiffs claim a declaration that the Kai Sui Firm, or the Hung Kai Sui Firm, of Tai Sze Hong, Amoy, is a partnership of Hung Yik-sau and other plaintiffs—and defendant. For a declaration that the sum of \$80,487.68, deposited by the Kai Sui Firm with the Chui Tak Loong Firm, No. 28, Des Voeux Road West, and paid into Court to the credit of Original Jurisdiction action No. 237 of 1930, is the money of the parties and does not belong to defendant personally.

Plaintiffs further claim an injunction to restrain defendant from taking the above mentioned sum, pending the hearing of the action or further order of the Court. For an order that the money is to be paid out to plaintiffs and defendant in equal shares, such other relief as the Court may deem just, and costs.

Defence.

For the defence, it is denied that the Kai Sui Firm is, or ever was a family firm, and that plaintiffs or any of them were, at any time, partners of the firm. Defendant declares that he founded the firm himself and has always been the sole proprietor.

Defendant further states that the sums of money referred to in the statement of claim belong to him and that plaintiffs have no right or title to any part of it at all. In addition, says defendant, plaintiffs' claims are barred by the Limitation Acts and by the Mercantile Law Amendment Ordinance, 1864.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, together with Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, instructed by Messrs. Woo and Nash, is for plaintiffs, while Mr. Eldon, Potter, K.C., together with Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Russ and Company, is for the defendant.

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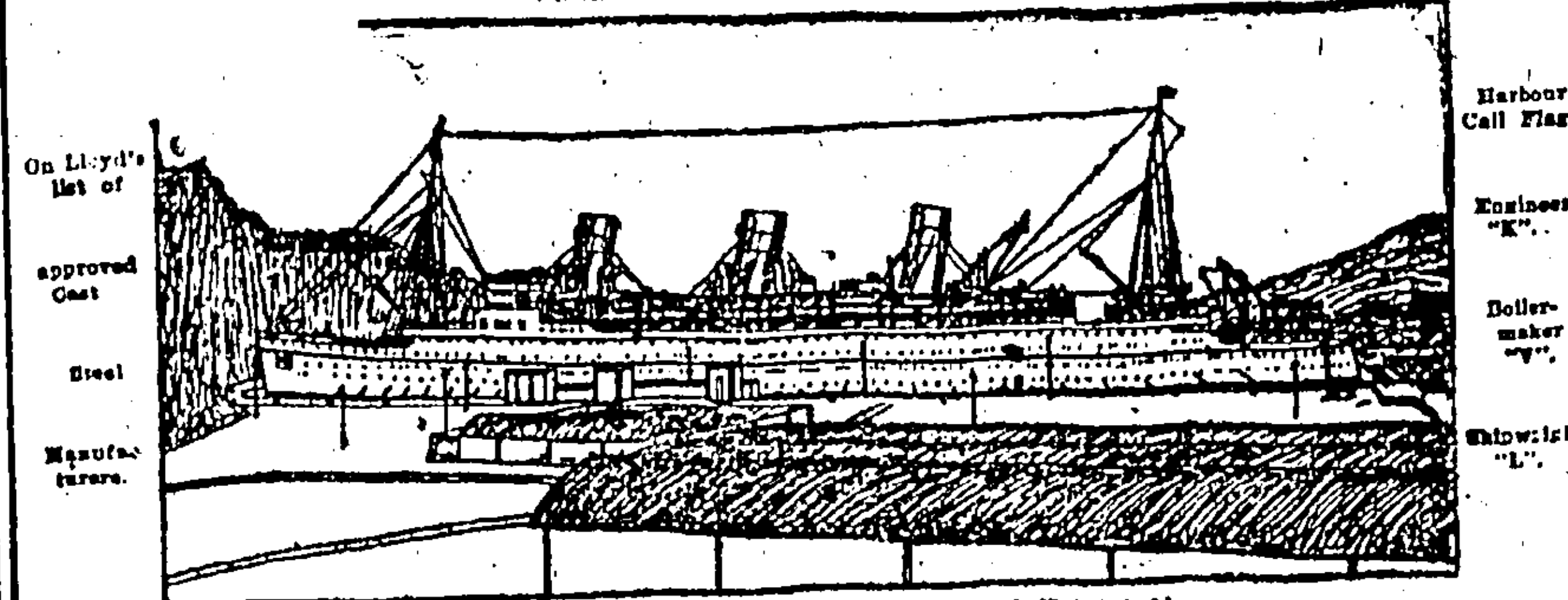
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This remote area straddling the Arctic circle is inaccessible for three months in the year except by air, and only aeroplane prospecting by a man named Gilbert Lablanc made its discovery possible.

Madame Curie first introduced pitchblende as a source of radium to the world, and the Great Bear Lake deposits are stated to be ten times greater than those developed in Austria.

An ounce of gold is worth approximately £4; a gram of radium is worth £12,000. Gold ore which will average £3 to the ton is considered high grade; some of the Great Bear pitchblende deposits assay £1,400 to the ton.

Great Bear lies 1,300 miles north of Edmonton, Alberta, by water route, or 850 miles by air from Waterways, Alberta, the take-off base for the Arctic Ocean air mail, as well as the landing point for freight bound down the Mackenzie River.

Risky Route.

The passenger and freight planes serving the newly-discovered mineral area do not follow the Mackenzie, but take a shorter and more risky route, flying due north along an arm of Great Slave Lake.

The official report by the Department of Mines, Ottawa, on the Great Bear deposits, dated October, 1931, states:

"There is every evidence that there exists at Lablanc Point an extensive and fairly closely-spaced pitchblende vein system that can readily be exploited by underground development. From a small surface pit sunk to a depth of 12 feet at the original discovery point, eight tons of high-grade ore were taken.

"No. 2 vein has been followed for 1,400 feet and 14 surface pits have been opened. One appeared in 13 of these in the form of a strong lead, ore being picked out for a continuous 800 feet. About 12 tons were removed."

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is central to the south-east of Tokyo. Another may be developing over North China. A depression is moving eastward across South Manchuria, and the trough of low pressure extends from Tongking across South Formosa to the Pacific. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate, cloudy generally.

ANXIOUS INTERVIEW.

EXPLANATIONS GIVEN.

London, Apr. 13. Apprehension created in Ulster by one of the passages in Mr. J. H. Thomas's reply to Mr. de Valera caused the sudden arrival in London today of Viscount Craigavon, the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland.

The Ulster politician immediately sought an interview with Mr. Thomas and Sir Herbert Samuel, the Home Secretary.

"There is no difference in the points of view of the two governments," was the statement issued later, Viscount Craigavon having been reassured. He is expected to make an early statement in the Ulster Parliament.

Ulster's Fears.

It is learned that the anxiety was due to the statement by Mr. Thomas that there was no possibility of a united Ireland except on the basis of allegiance to the Crown, which was apparently interpreted in Ulster as an implication that the Government were using Ulster as a pawn in the negotiations with the Irish Free State.

Lord Craigavon, who was accompanied by his Attorney-General, Mr. Babinington came to London from Belfast and met Mr. Thomas and Sir Herbert Samuel at the House of Commons soon afterwards. The Home Secretary was present for the obvious reason that the Home Office is technically responsible in the House of Commons for the Northern Ireland administration.

The Ulster ministers expressed a desire to discuss certain aspects of the controversy raised by the attitude of the Irish Free State to the Oath of Allegiance and particularly the passage in the Dominion Secretary's Reply which stated:

"It is true that the 1921 settlement did not result in the establishment of a united Ireland but the Treaty itself made the necessary provision for union at that time of the two parts of Ireland, if both had been ready to accept them."

"As to the future His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom feel it sufficient to state that, in their opinion, there can be no conceivable hope for the establishment of a united Ireland except on the basis that its allegiance to Crown and its membership of the British Commonwealth will continue unimpaired."

No Implications.

Lord Craigavon explained that anxiety had been voiced in the Northern Ireland Parliament regarding this passage. Mr. Thomas pointed out that these words were used only as a reply to Mr. de Valera's statement that the agreement of 1921 meant "the consummation of the outrage of partition" in Ireland. They did not indicate any change actual or contemplated in British policy regarding Ulster and Irish unity.

It is expected that Lord Craigavon, as a result of his visit, will make a reassuring statement in Belfast.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

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Without denying that he had knowledge beforehand of the contents of the manifesto, King Alfonso let it be conceded that its publication at Madrid at that moment was the work of a group of his supporters on their own initiative. He added that he only knew of the manifesto when he read the news in the paper.

If the text of the declaration was fully approved by King Alfonso the principal reason for denying that he had authorised its appearance must have been his anxiety not to embarrass the French authorities.

Condition of Hospitality.

The condition under which hospitality is accorded to political exiles is that they should not use the country of their residence as a base for political action against their own country.

King Alfonso is not exempt from the unwritten rule, and the position would be exceedingly difficult if, as the result of his adherence, the Spanish Government made representations to France. It is essential therefore that, however strongly he approves such action, he must remain officially neutral.

King Alfonso said that he had thoroughly enjoyed his recent travels, and told an amusing story of his experience at the German frontier. A particularly officious Customs officer had been going through his things with exasperating thoroughness, and after enduring it with patience for ten minutes, King Alfonso could no longer contain himself.

"Do you know who I am?" he cried with Royal wrath, and in bad German, "I am an Admiral of the Fleet in your Navy, a General in your Army, a Colonel of your Uhlans and your Guards, and, finally, I am a King. So you had better look out for yourself."

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